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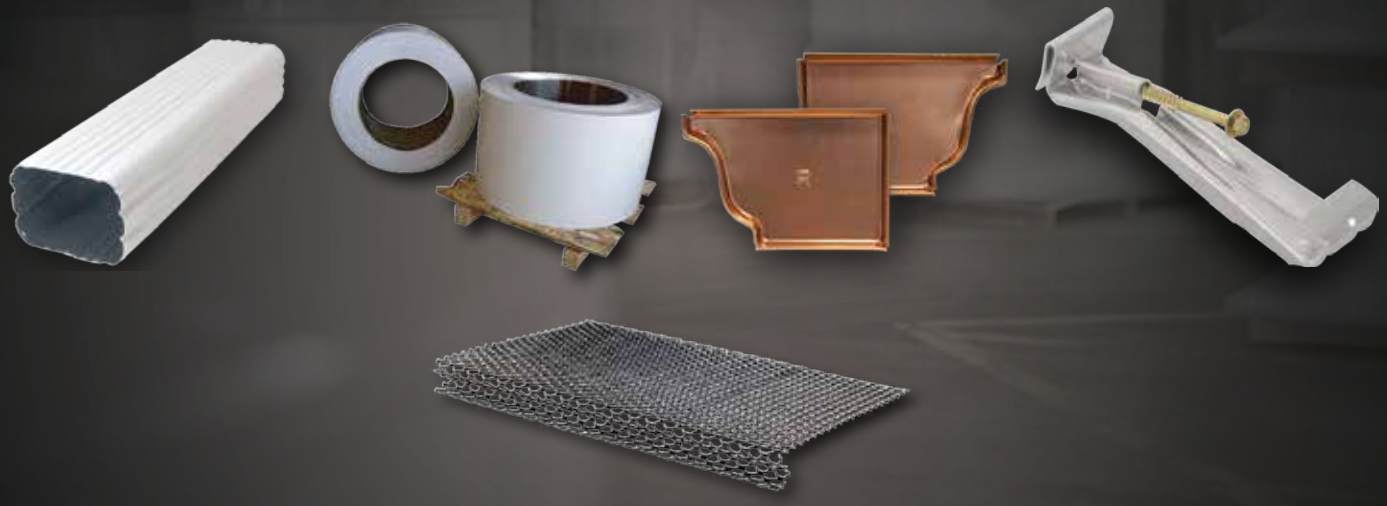

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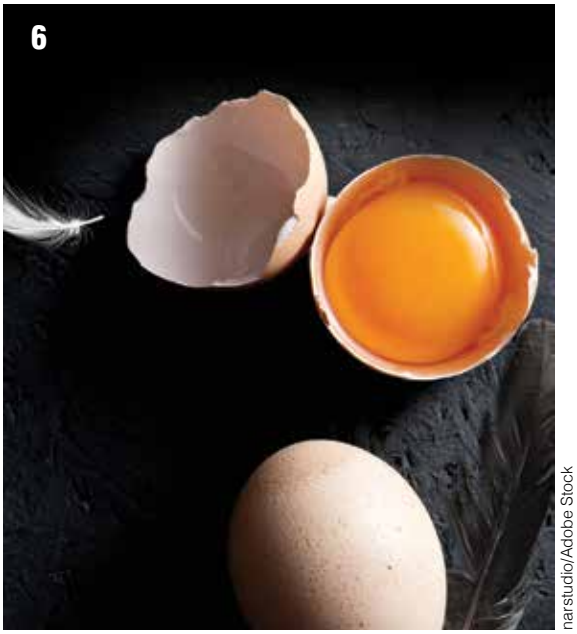

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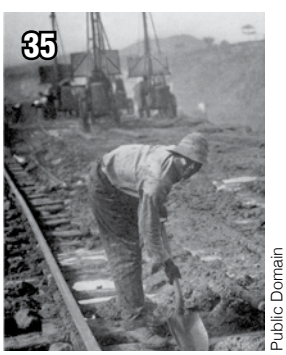

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Chickens and Government Eggheads

A French general, François de Charette, once famously observed that "omelets are not made without breaking eggs." If that is true, hard-pressed American consumers unable to afford eggs may wonder: What omelet is being made, and by whom?

The official reason for the current soaring egg prices, unprecedented in our nation's history, is an outbreak of avian influenza. This allegedly dread disease is not only a veritable reaper's scythe for poultry flocks, it also (if fedgov pandemic panjandrums are to be believed) may end up begetting the next supervirus in humans.

As is usual with government narratives, the reality falls far short of the rhetoric. For one thing, avian influenza has been known to science since the 19th century, and has yet to mutate into a contagion lethal to humans. For another, the practice of wholesale, government-mandated culls of egg-laying chickens has only been around for a couple of decades — yet the scope and lethality of avian influenza outbreaks have risen dramatically in that same period. In the outbreak of 2014-2015, an unprecedented 50 million egg-laying chickens and turkeys died or were culled, a record that lasted less than a decade. The current outbreak has already seen the death or culling of 130 million birds — roughly 10 percent of the entire U.S. poultry flock!

As even the layman suspects, something rotten has been laid in the poultry sector. Big Government-adjacent polemicists in the legacy media are, of course, indignant at the suggestion that anyone in government could bear any culpability — all the while urging that government needs to do more to protect us and our food supply.

In reality, the severity of the ongoing avian flu is almost entirely a result of government mismanagement. Commercial farms, to a greater degree than ever before, now crowd poultry in closely stacked cages, optimizing conditions for the contagion to spread.

This was not historically the case, so what has changed? In a word, government, embodied in the venerable USDA, now incentivizes such risky practices by indemnifying poultry farmers for culled birds. In other words, owners of commercial chicken farms now know that they will be reimbursed for their losses with taxpayer dollars. This is a textbook case of moral hazard, and it is devastating the economy. Absent the guarantee of taxpayer-funded bailouts, avian flu would still crop up, but poultry farmers would take much greater preventive care of their flocks, and the spread of the disease would be curtailed.

As it is, the amount of indemnification has risen sharply. Whereas "only" about $200 million was paid out for birds culled in 2014-2015, the figure this time around had already reached $1.46 billion by January 2025.

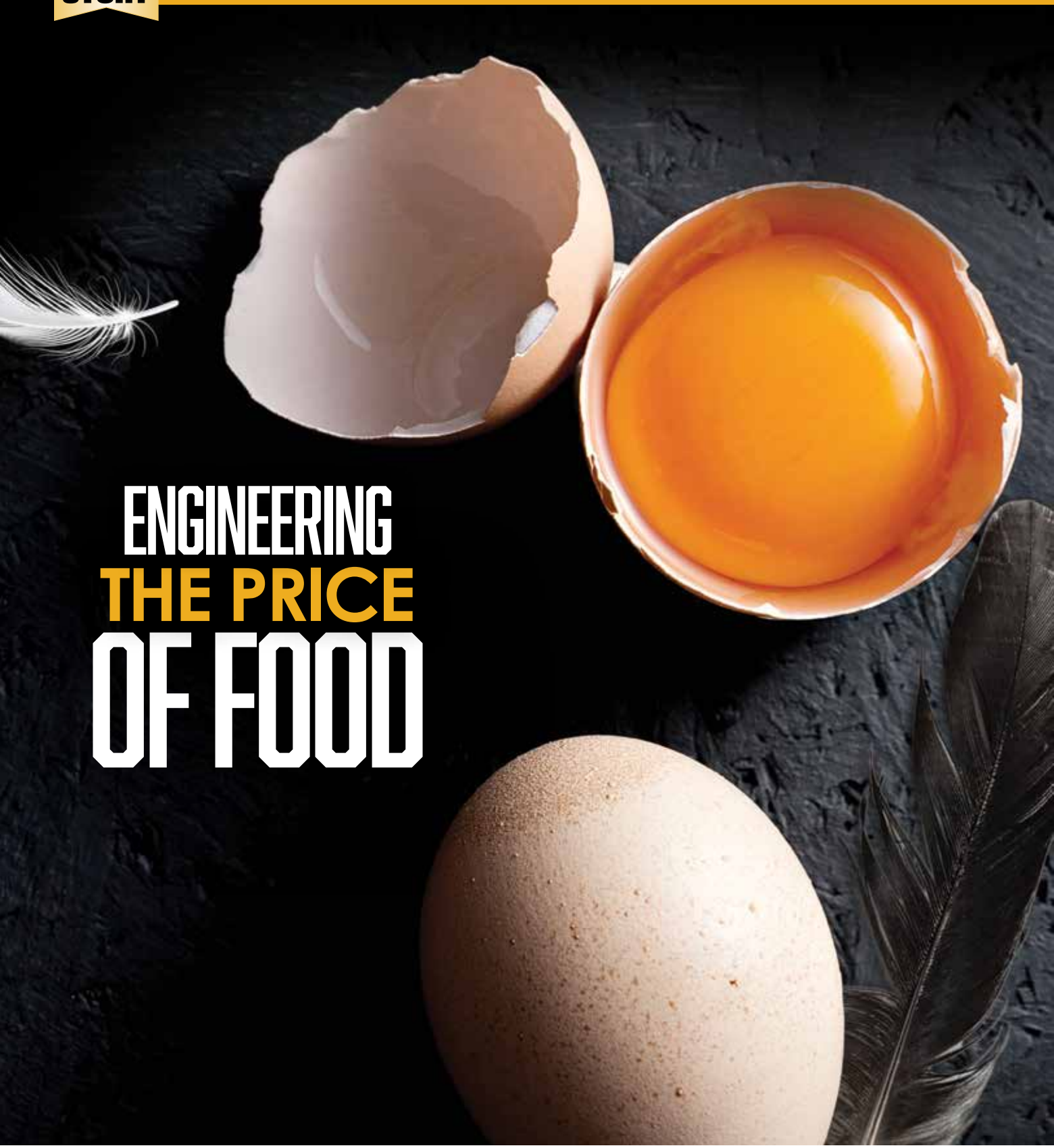
In other words, the avian flu is a poignant instance of the disease and the elixir being engineered in the same laboratory — in this case, the devil's workshop that is Big Government. As is nearly always the case where government is concerned, the motive isn't limiting or controlling bad outcomes; it's simply control. In this case, government has arrogated unto itself control over the supply of eggs and poultry — and anointed itself sole arbiter of the fate of our national supply. The clichéd chicken-or-egg conundrum is irrelevant to the current crisis; almighty government precedes them both.

Of course, no one in government ever acknowledges any blame for havoc wrought. As we note in this issue, government-engineered food shortages — be they East African famines or stratospheric egg prices — are fearsome things, because our very survival hinges on them. While it may not have been the express intent of venal Biden administration officials to inflict an Ethiopian famine or a Great Leap Forward on Americans, the hubris inherent in all such misbegotten policies differs in degree, not in essence. The same unquestioning faith in government benevolence that motivates USDA bureaucrats, left unchecked, may eventually come to mimic the methods of a Mengistu or a Mao.

This might seem like an exaggeration in our abundant circumstances. But giving government complete control over our food will, over time, continue to drive up prices and exacerbate supply shortages.

And who knows what extremes they may resort to the next time they end up with egg on their faces?

— *Steve Bonta*



ENGINEERING THE PRICE OF FOOD

Malthusian globalists, starved for power, have weaponized famine under the banner of "sustainable development," the modern repackaging of an age-old tyrants' trick.

by Rebecca Terrell

The claim that the United Nations is attempting to control people via Agenda 2030 is "just a false attempt to paint sensible plans for sustainable development as some sort of communist plan, which it is not," UN spokeswoman Heidi Beirich told AFP Fact Check in 2020.

Mainstreamers have considered Beirich to be a superstar debunker since she penned her 2014 ad hominem attack, *Agenda 21: The UN, Sustainability and Right-Wing Conspiracy Theory*, published by the Southern Poverty Law Center. Agenda 21 is the precursor to Agenda 2030, which all 193 UN member states have signed.

The John Birch Society is the principal villain in her exposé. Beirich wrote, "Agenda 21 has been transformed in much of the American public mind into a secret plot to impose a totalitarian world government, a nefarious effort to crush freedom in the name of environmentalism." She blamed Birchers for the transformation; Birchers proudly take credit.

Beirich's report reads with all the maturity of a playground retort: Agenda 21 is "a feel-good guide that cannot force anyone, anywhere to do anything at all." The faceless, unelected bureaucrats who crafted it and its sequel simply want to make the world a better place, she says.

Historical precedent belies her claims. Governments unfailingly tend toward tyranny, not beneficence. Controlling people by controlling resources is the oldest trick in the dictator's book.

Siege warfare and blockades are the most primitive examples. Another age-old military tactic is scorched earth, when armies obliterate crops and irrigation systems to starve entire populations into submission.

Conquerors never pretend that their goal for the defeated is freedom; on the contrary, acquisition of territory, enslavement of populations, and accumulation of wealth are their aims. However, wars can be costly, and as Chinese military strategist Sun Tzu wrote in his time-honored treatise *The Art of War*, the "supreme" method is "to subdue the enemy without fighting." So as time went on, techniques of domination became increasingly shrewd and sinister.

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Blame game: Heidi Beirich, former Intelligence Project Director of Southern Poverty Law Center, blamed John Birch Society members for giving Agenda 21 a bad name.

History abounds with examples, such as England's conquest of Ireland. It began with King Henry VIII's 1534 Act of Supremacy, in which he declared himself sovereign over Ireland by the stroke of a pen. The next hundred years witnessed legalized theft of Irish plantations and led to Oliver Cromwell's military conquest of the Emerald Isle in 1652. The use of famine and land dispossession were central to Cromwell's campaign.

Next came the Popery Acts of 1704 and 1709, when Parliament restricted Catholics' property ownership, using religion as a cover for more massive theft of real estate and turning Ireland into a country of absentee English landowners and Irish tenant farmers. The situation spelled doom for the nation when blight hit the potato crops in 1845 and 1846, and massive famine ensued. Landowners didn't live there, so they cared little for the plight of the starving.

However, people starved because of government policies, not potato blight. First, the Crown restricted grain imports to Ireland and enforced Irish food exports to Britain, and then it required Irishmen who received government aid to give up their farms. According to Griffith's Valuation, a land survey completed in 1868, only three percent of Irish farmers were landowners, and less than two percent of landowners owned more than one-third of farm acreage. Roughly a quarter of Ireland's population fled this tyranny — many immigrating to the United States.

Federal Copycats

Would they cringe today knowing how much of their adopted country is owned by the federal government, foreign entities, and absentee landlords? We certainly should, considering how vulnerable our food supplies are on this account. The statistics are grim:

According to the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), the federal government currently manages about 28 percent of the total land area in the country, while only 20 percent of agricultural acreage is owned and operated by individuals and private partnerships, who labor under such grueling government regulations that they have many parallels with tenant farmers of old.

Additionally, though the amount of farmland has held relatively steady during the past century, the number of farms has plummeted from a high of nearly seven million in the 1940s to two million today, while the average farm size increased nearly three-fold. Three percent of domestic farms now make up 47 percent of the value of production.

As for infrastructure, the University of

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Illinois researched the U.S. food supply chain in 2019 to find that nine counties in the United States are "most central to the overall structure of the food supply network." A disruption in any of them could affect the entire country. Moreover, poverty advocacy organization Oxfam reports that only 10 companies — Associated British Foods, Coca-Cola, Danone, General Mills, Kellogg, Mars, Mondelez, Nestlé, PepsiCo, and Unilever — control almost every large food and beverage brand in the world.

Has this happened by accident, or could the U.S. government be repeating history? A brief glance at the past 250 years makes the answer to that question painfully apparent.

History Repeats

In America's Colonial days, more than 95 percent of the population earned a living by farming, historians estimate. Moreover, people of that day knew Ireland's sad story of British oppression. The Crown had pulled the same stunts in the 17th and 18th centuries in its takeover of India, largely driven by the desire to establish a monopoly in the opium trade. With government endorsement, the British East India Company coerced local farmers to grow poppies instead of sustenance crops, often through forced labor and debt bondage. Famine and widespread poverty resulted, and India fell to British rule.

America boasted plentiful natural resources, and her pioneers did not want to become another statistic of British colonial rule. She won her independence in 1784, and for more than half a century, her farmers enjoyed the fruits of their labor, relatively free of federal interference. The executive branch operated only five Cabinet departments and nine major agencies until 1849. Enter the Department of the Interior, established not merely to manage federal lands — which the General Land Office had been doing since 1812 — but also to manage resources on federal lands: forests, minerals, waterways, etc.

Then, during the first Republican administration, the floodgates opened. President Abraham Lincoln spearheaded corporate welfare by signing into law legislation creating the USDA in 1862. The fledgling agency was authorized to advance "agriculture, rural development, aquaculture and human nutrition in the most general and comprehensive sense of those terms." As if to cover all bases, during the same year, Lincoln also signed into law the Morrill Land Grant College Act (which marked the first federal foray into higher education and would soon provide an army of intellectuals to justify government encroachment), the Homestead Act (ostensibly to promote westward pioneer expansion, but exploited by wealthy investors to acquire vast tracts of land), and the Second Confiscation Act (which built upon the First Confiscation Act, passed in 1861, to seize land and property from Confederates).

These measures might not seem outlandish to us today, but imagine how dictatorial they appeared to countrymen who until then had been relatively unfettered by federal usurpations. It is supremely ironic that the destructive legislation of 1862, passed during a war fought supposedly to free the enslaved, planted the seeds of government oppression of the citizens of the United States, just as her big sister had done to Ireland a century before.

Indeed, the last half of the 19th century saw the birth of 19 major agencies, and 25 more were added in the 20th century *prior* to the catastrophic administration of Franklin Delano Roosevelt (FDR). Each bureau unconstitutionally expanded government overreach, robbing states of their sovereignty and establishing federal control of currency, education, commerce, transportation, industry, labor, and many other areas, but none more than land and agriculture.

For example, the Forest Reserve Act of 1891 established national forests to prevent private development and manipulate water resources. The Interstate Commerce Commission, founded in 1887 supposedly to protect the little guy, resulted in artificially high transportation costs that favored railroad monopolies and large enterprises. The 1916 Federal Farm Loan Act effectively created debt bondage for farmers in the years leading up to the government-induced Great Depression, when bankruptcies and foreclosures caused widespread loss of private property.

Likewise, the 1929 Agricultural Marketing Act authorized the government to buy and store 257 million bushels of wheat. Supposedly, farmers were overproducing and flooding the post-World War I domestic market, causing grain prices to plummet. (The real reason was — you guessed it — government interference. All industries across the nation were losing profits because public buying power was eroded by government control of the

Cracks in the foundation: The United States of America became a great country because of the industriousness of farmers, who now labor under debilitating regulations that threaten food security.

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money supply and centralized bank credit expansion brought on in 1913 by the new Federal Reserve System.) Officials waited until the winter of 1931-1932 to dump the stored wheat on the market, driving prices to their lowest in history and bankrupting those "overproducing" farmers in the middle of the Great Depression.

The Old Deal

That's when FDR arrived on the scene with his New Deal. But it wasn't "new"; FDR took all his cues from the age-old tyrants' playbook. The only difference was that his series of programs and regulations put federal conquest of the states into overdrive. In the span of just five years he launched more than 100 distinct agencies and initiatives, and he opened the door wide for international hucksters to wreak havoc on our nation.

His Agricultural Adjustment Act (AAA) of 1933 targeted farmers and food. It created the Agricultural Adjustment Administration, which immediately became the nest of the "Ware Cell," named for Harold Ware, a Communist Party member and one of many such adherents recruited for New Deal agencies.

Their story is told in Dan Van Gorder's 1966 book *Ill Fares the Land: The Famine Planned for America.* Ware Cell members had been trained to conduct espionage and influence U.S. policy regarding labor and agriculture. Ware himself had helped Vladimir Lenin set up forced farm collectives in the Soviet Union following the Russian famine of 1921. (That catastrophe came about not by an act of God but because the Bolshevik Revolution destroyed agricultural production and infrastructure while imposing grain requisitions for the military and elites. Americans — banker Jacob Schiff and mining magnate William Boyce Thompson — financed this concocted famine, as detailed in James Perloff's 1988 book *The Shadows of Power*. Historians estimate as many as five million perished.)

Another well-known Ware Cell member was Alger Hiss, who would later serve as the secretary-general of the U.S. delegation at the 1945 founding of the United Nations in San Francisco. Five years later America learned that he was a communist spy; he was convicted on two counts of perjury for denying espionage and passing government documents to Soviet officials.

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The Food Regime: Nestle Corporation is one of only 10 companies that Oxfam identifies as controlling almost every large food and beverage brand in the world.

Ware and Hiss were among the bureaucrats in 1929 who blamed American farmers for low agricultural prices following the First World War. Their AAA answer in 1933 was to repeat the swindle of the Agricultural Marketing Act, buying up all the so-called surplus, and paying farmers to halt production.

The truth was that domestic demand far outpaced supply, as Van Gorder documents. To fulfill that demand, officials arranged for low-cost foreign imports to replace the missing domestic product. Roosevelt got around protective tariffs, which were in place at the time, by signing the Reciprocal Trade Agreements Act of 1934, which gave the president authority to negotiate bilateral trade agreements and lower tariffs without congressional approval. Thus began America's dependence on imports and her domestic vulnerability to adverse weather conditions, as borne out in the Dust Bowl of the 1930s.

In 1936, the U.S. Supreme Court nearly stopped this trajectory in its tracks. SCOTUS struck down key parts of the AAA as unconstitutional. Unfortunately, the victory was short-lived, because in 1938 Congress passed a new and worse AAA, introducing mandatory crop quotas and expanded subsidies to pay farmers to reduce production.

Ohio farmer Roscoe Filburn found himself in the crosshairs when he planted roughly double his quota of wheat: 23 acres instead of 11. The government fined him, so Filburn sued, arguing that the extra wheat was not for sale but for personal use on his farm. SCOTUS ruled unanimously against him, claiming authority under the Commerce Clause of the U.S. Constitution. (By the time the ruling was handed down in 1942, Roosevelt had packed the court with New Deal liberals.) They said that by growing his own wheat, Filburn reduced the amount he needed to purchase, thereby affecting interstate commerce.

The ruling meant government could suddenly regulate self-sufficiency on any farm. *Wickard v. Filburn* is considered a landmark case that greatly cemented federal power over agriculture, for, as Justice Robert H. Jackson arrogantly wrote in the ruling, "It is hardly lack of due process for the government to regulate that which it subsidizes."

Heads on the Hydra

Since then, federal control of agriculture has only expanded, pushing global rather than national interests. In 1949, four years after the United States joined the United Nations, President Harry Truman initiated the International Wheat Agreement,

predecessor to the modern International Grains Council, a government cartel that regulates the production, price, and distribution of wheat among its member nations. Today, it's headquartered in London, the home of history's most proficient experts in land-grabbing tactics.

Next, President Dwight Eisenhower's USDA began "Food for Peace" in 1954, a foreign aid program that shipped our sustenance even to nations hostile to the United States. Through the U.S. Agency for International Development, founded in 1961, foreign aid took on a feed-the-world focus that now amounts to billions of U.S. tax dollars every year.

Meanwhile, Eisenhower's "Wheat Police" were terrorizing American farmers. They could invade any farm in the nation and conduct warrantless searches to determine compliance with quotas and acreage allotments. Violators were fined and/or imprisoned without trial. Within the first year, the USDA fined 14,000 farmers more than $8.5 million (equivalent to more than $94 million in 2025). *Time* magazine of March 9, 1959, told the story of Michigan farmer Stanley Yankus, fined $4,562 (nearly $50,000 in 2025 dollars) for raising wheat to feed his chickens. He told the House Agriculture Committee, "I am not fighting for the right to grow wheat. I am fighting for the right to own property. If I am forbidden the use of my land, then I do not own it."

The Wheat Police reign of terror ended due to public outcry such as his, but even then the USDA relaxed restrictions only enough to allow small farmers to grow up to 30 acres of wheat for their own use. Meanwhile, SCOTUS continually refused to hear cases challenging the constitutionality of USDA programs.

Recent decades have witnessed further federal expansion. The late 1950s saw the Soil Bank paying farmers to leave their fields fallow as Congress hypocritically dammed the Colorado River to cultivate high, arid land in northern Arizona and southern Utah never before farmed. Commodity price fixing in the 1960s and 1970s wreaked havoc on agricultural economy and food prices, as the USDA enforced unionism on American farmers and ranchers, further undermining food security. Even the Reagan deregulation era of the 1980s ignored agriculture.

Today, the Farm Bill (originally the AAA) is updated every five years, holding farmers in check while bolstering a legalized racketeering system for corporate interests. "Throughout the past 22 years, the largest and wealthiest farms have always received most of the subsidies," the Environmental Working Group (EWG) reported in 2023. Between 1995 and 2021, federal farm handouts totaled $478 billion. Seventy-eight percent of that went to the top 10 percent of recipients; 27 percent went to the top one percent. Eighty percent of recipients received nine percent of subsidies.

Additionally, it is common practice for the USDA to send farm subsidies not directly to farmers, but to banks "to help pay off farmers' operating loans." EWG noted that from 2019 until 2021, "the financial institution that received the most farm subsidies was the USDA."

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Cloak of control: President Franklin D. Roosevelt signed the Farm Relief-Inflationary Bill on May 12, 1933, giving him extraordinary powers over monetary inflation.

A Troubling Pattern

How could government exploit its own people this way? Aren't we a free country? Yet adding to the home-front scandal is the fact that the United States has so often helped other regimes weaponize food against their indigenous populations — even those flying communist banners.

Soviet dictator Joseph Stalin carried out a planned democide through artificially induced famine against Ukraine in 1932-33, known as the Holodomor. *The New York Times'* Walter Duranty downplayed the Holodomor, winning a Pulitzer Prize for his propaganda and leading to the Roosevelt administration's official recognition of the Soviet Union in 1933.

Communist Chinese leader Mao Zedong imposed "agricultural reform" on his people in the 1940s and '50s, transferring property rights to the state and sparking widespread famine. Indispensable to his success was the backing of Truman's chief of staff, General George C. Marshall.

Khmer Rouge leader Pol Pot, one of the most brutal dictators in modern history, acted with the support of U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger and U.S. National Security Advisor Zbigniew Brzezinski. He herded Cambodians to their deaths in disease-ridden labor camps, which became known as the Killing Fields. Historians estimate around a quarter of Cambodia's population perished in the 1970s.

Ethiopia's communist dictatorship under Mengistu Haile Mariam forced "collectivization" of agriculture and "resettlement" programs that resulted in massive starvation in the 1980s. Credit goes to the $1 billion he received in aid from taxpayers in the United States and other Western countries, channeled through UN lending institutions such as the World

Bank. (For more details of U.S. aid to foreign dictatorships throughout the 20th century, see our article on page 16, "To Make the World Safe for Communism.")

The International Front

Yet fact-checking Heidi Beirich wants us to believe that today's globalist bureaucrats are of a kinder and gentler ilk — that their Agenda 2030 is not a "communist plan," but a nonbinding "feel-good guide" to end such atrocities? Let's see what the authors of Agenda 2030 have to say about it.

The United States joined the UN in 1945, and soon that organization offered a bogeyman that dwarfed interstate commerce as an excuse for stealing land and enslaving people: "sustainable development."

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Eco-tyrant: Canadian billionaire Maurice Strong (1929-2015) was founding director of the UN's Environment Programme and later became an advisor to the World Economic Forum.

The idea came from plotters at the Club of Rome, an international think tank founded in 1968, the same year Malthusian Paul Ehrlich's book *The Population Bomb* debuted. Ehrlich compared humans to a cancer destroying Mother Earth and postulated that it "must be cut out." He suggested "a system of incentives and penalties … by compulsion if voluntary methods fail." (His work was a 20th-century version of Thomas Malthus' *An Essay on the Principle of Population*, published in 1798. That doomsday screed erroneously warned that population growth would soon outpace the ability of mankind to sustain itself.)

The club's 1972 document *The Limits to Growth* took its cue from Ehrlich, describing a planet teetering on the edge of eco-Armageddon and warning that a "supreme effort" would be required "on a scale and scope without precedent … to organize more equitable distribution of wealth and income worldwide."

Fewer than four months later, the UN launched its Environment Programme (UNEP). Founding director Maurice Strong, a Club of Rome adherent, would later become an advisor to the World Economic Forum (WEF). He described his hopes for the WEF to journalist Daniel Wood in the May 1990 issue of *West* magazine, relating the plot of a novel he wanted to write about a group of world leaders who set out to save the planet from environmental catastrophe by collapsing the economies of industrialized countries.

The Club of Rome showed its hand again in its 1991 book *The First Global Revolution*, writing, "In searching for a common enemy against whom we can unite, we came up with the idea that pollution, the threat of global warming, water shortages, famine and the like, would fit the bill…. All these dangers are caused by human intervention in natural processes…. The real enemy then is humanity itself."

The following year, Strong served as secretary-general of the Earth Summit in Rio de Janeiro — the UN conference that produced Agenda 21. President George H.W. Bush signed it on behalf of the United States. In 2015, the document was updated as Agenda 2030, with its 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDG). Of particular interest to property owners and people who need to eat are:

• SDG 2, which calls for food security and sustainable agriculture, doublespeak for food scarcity and farming crises. The Netherlands and Sri Lanka provide recent tragic examples; fertilizer and pesticide restrictions, enacted to save Mother Earth, have forced farmers out of business and left the populace to face hunger and hyperinflation.

• SDG 3, which aspires to ensure "good health and well-being." This is the excuse we're supposed to swallow when bureaucrats act, as they so often do, in ways directly contrary to their stated purpose. Avian influenza provides a prime example. The USDA has spent the last few months culling domestic poultry at record rates to "stop the spread" of bird flu, with confirmed cases in every state, including Alaska and Hawaii. As a result, egg prices in February topped $10 a dozen in some places, and restaurants are adding massive surcharges to egg-based meals. Curiously, prices for chicken meat did not react in kind. NPR explains that broilers (chickens raised for meat) have not been as hard-hit as egg-layers. Yet this same virus, *The New York Times* tells us, has migrated to cats, which are in turn infecting their owners. Fickle, jet-setting bug! (Mainstream outlets fail to mention that in February 2019, the academic journal *Science* reported on "controversial lab studies that modify bird flu viruses in ways that could make them more risky to humans." The projects were so dangerous that officials had imposed a temporary moratorium, but the National Institutes of Health's National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases managed to get them up and running again. Déjà-flu!)

• SDG 6, which mandates "sustainable management of water supplies," such as that planned for an arid county of west Texas, where U.S. taxpayers are footing the bill for Ireland-based, foreign-backed ETFuels' $800 million "green" hydrogen project. It's estimated to use around 433,000 gallons of water per day — roughly equivalent to two-thirds of an Olympic-sized swimming pool, in an area regularly plagued by drought. Energy expert Robert Bryce points out that in the production process you lose more energy than hydrogen contains, but it's all part of

Agenda 2030's plan to decarbonize the energy industry. Farmers be damned.

• SDG 11, which aims to make "human settlements" sustainable. This is code for 15-minute cities — a term introduced, not by conspiracy theorists, but following the 2015 UN Climate Conference. The plan is to herd people into urban areas where everything they need is within a 15-minute walk or bicycle ride and travel outside their "district" will be restricted. Some cities are already transforming into these open-air prisons; residents of Oxford, England, are required to obtain a permit to cross six major roads that demarcate the city's zones. Urban planners are also building these future detention centers from the ground up. An example is the LEAP Project outside Lebanon, Indiana, funded by the state in cooperation with the Indiana Economic Development Corporation, which has offices in Germany, Japan, South Korea, China, Israel, Italy, and the U.K.

President Joe Biden boosted the 15-minute-city agenda in 2021 only six days after his inauguration, issuing an executive order that called for conservation (i.e., government takeover) of "at least 30 percent of our lands and waters by 2030" to "tackle the climate crisis." This "30x30" initiative is part of the UN Convention on Biological Diversity, which aims to gobble up "conserved" land for SDG 15, which favors "green" over reliable energy, and endangered species over livestock. This goal is already threatening farmland across the United States with eminent domain for boondoggles such as solar, wind, and carbon capture, all backed by hefty government subsidies.

And what will people eat as crops diminish and livestock herds are culled in the name of conservation? Let them eat bugs! That's the target of SDG 12: "sustainable consumption and production." The UN website brags that insects are a "food rich in protein" with a smaller production carbon footprint than livestock.

Think Global Conspiracy, Act Locally

These are only a few examples of how Agenda 2030 amounts to the latest chapter in an age-old land-grabbing textbook used by tyrants throughout history. But a crucial section of this modern chapter deals with implementation tactics. The phrase "think globally, act locally" encapsulates their plan.

J. Gary Lawrence, an advisor to President Bill Clinton's Council on Sustainable Development, detailed "The Future of Local Agenda 21 in the New Millennium" in the September 1998 issue of *The Millennium Papers*. But, he warned, the name Local Agenda 21 in the United States would "bring out many of the conspiracy-fixated groups and individuals." His solution: "We call our processes something else, such as comprehensive planning, growth management or smart growth."

UN-inspired comprehensive plans are now ubiquitous. New York City's "OneNYC 2050," "Imagine Austin" in Texas, "OurLA2040" in California, and "We Will Chicago" are just a few examples on the home front, while "The London Plan," "Metro Vancouver 2040," "Plan Melbourne 2017-2050," and Singapore's "Master Plan" reveal that no corner of the globe is left untouched.

Tentacles entwine small towns and rural areas, too. Durango, Colorado's comprehensive plan is filled with telling catchphrases such as "socio-economic diversity," "sustainable behavior," and the "unsustainability of transportation based on single occupancy vehicles." Otsego County, New York, home of the National Baseball Hall of Fame, even offers *Comprehensive Plan Samples and Tools*, downloadable from its website. Look into what

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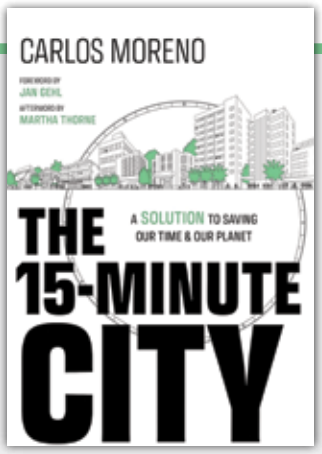

Fifteen-minute cities represent the convergence of two interrelated globalist ideologies: sustainable development and technocracy.

Environmentalists credit Scottish sociologist Sir Patrick Geddes as the pioneer of sustainable development. He was an urban planner who studied under T.H. Huxley, the man known as "Darwin's Bulldog" due to his close collaboration with evolutionist Charles Darwin. Building on the teachings of Darwin and secular humanist Auguste Comte, Geddes penned the 1915 *Cities in Evolution*, in which he advocated harmony between human "settlements" and their surrounding environments. His work inspired the phrase "think globally, act locally," which caught on among eco-radicals of the 1960s and '70s.

The World Economic Forum pays homage to Geddes on the website of its Centre for the Fourth Industrial Revolution (C4IR) in an article praising Sorbonne Professor Carlos Moreno, who won an Obel Award in 2021 for his 15-minute city idea, introduced following the UN's 2015 COP21 conference in Paris. In fact, that city's officials are already partitioning it into a collection of 15-minute zones "where everything you need is within a 15-minute radius on foot or bike." Cars are banned during certain hours; some districts are already car-free. Elsewhere, parking prices have tripled and parking spaces are being replaced with cycling infrastructure.

Such plans are typical of members of the C40 Cities Climate Leadership Group. Paris is one of nearly 100 members that used the Covid-19 outbreak to boost the 15-minute concept. C40 is an international network funded by George Soros and other globalist bankrollers.

Within 15-minute cities, these radicals plan to use digital public infrastructure (DPI), an umbrella term for tools such as a digital ID,

your local city council or county commission has adopted, and you will probably find similar fingerprints. It's just as likely that your local representatives are innocently unaware of the internationalist origins, so plan to collaborate with rather than confront them to free your community of these globalist traps.

You won't be acting alone. To save the country from such conspiratorial plots, U.S. businessman Robert Welch founded The John Birch Society in 1958. He, too, realized that local action is key to victory, and he formed his grassroots organization to educate patriots nationwide so they could combat the agenda on their home turf — a much more achievable objective than fighting faceless, faraway bureaucrats. His concept was the same as that underlying the Committees of Correspondence, formed to establish communication among the American colonies as they strove for independence from a tyrannical oppressor.

Agenda 2030 amounts to our generation's 1776 moment. JBS offers the resources that freedom-loving patriots need to expose the nefarious scheme and to bring about "less government, more responsibility, and — with God's help — a better world." ■

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a programmable central bank digital currency (CBDC), and other data-exchange systems intended to track and control residents' behavior. In 2023 the UN Development Programme teamed with the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation to launch its 50-in-5 initiative, intending for 50 countries to implement DPI within five years. It's a goal "deemed essential" for the punctual implementation of Agenda 2030 Sustainable Development Goals. China already uses DPI to operate its social credit system, whereby people receive "scores" that can result in privileges for those complying with tyrannical dictates or penalties such as travel restrictions and reduced purchasing power for those deemed noncompliant.

DPI has been in the works for decades, with roots in the technocracy movement crafted at Columbia University in the 1930s. Technocrats advocate for government by technical expertise and data-driven planning. Zbigniew Brzezinski became a staunch adherent as a political science professor at Columbia; he later served as President Jimmy Carter's national security advisor. In his 1970 book *Between Two Ages: America's Role in the Technetronic Era*, he predicted

> the gradual appearance of a more controlled and directed society ... dominated by an elite whose claim to political power would rest on allegedly superior scientific know-how.... This elite would not hesitate to achieve its political ends by using the latest modern techniques for influencing public behavior and keeping society under close surveillance and control.... The traditionally democratic American society could, because of its fascination with technical efficiency, become an extremely controlled society, and its humane and individualistic qualities would thereby be lost.

Patrick Wood, author of *Technocracy: The Hard Road to World Order*, told *The New American* that Brzezinski teamed up with international banker David Rockefeller to promote this "technetronic era" through the UN, which cleverly built its principles into Agenda 21 and Agenda 2030. Today, "you won't find any town anywhere on the planet that has not been affected by this sustainable development doctrine." ■

A FONG IN THE HENHOUSE

Trump fired USDA official Phyllis Fong, but much more needs to be done to stop the bureaucratic madness behind the surging price of eggs.

Dear Valued Customer,
Repeated outbreaks of Avian (Bird) Flu have affected the supply of eggs. As a result, we have seen higher costs from our suppliers. We will continue to work with our suppliers to ensure availability.

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by Rebecca Terrell

"Those who cannot remember the past are condemned to repeat it," wrote philosopher George Santayana. Our nation is a tragic case in point. How else could Covid have surprised us? Why did we react with shocked umbrage to a stolen election? And why are so many Americans excited about yet another administrative agency — with the Orwellian title "Department of Government Efficiency" (DOGE) — that promises not to *shut down* but to *streamline* the largely unconstitutional federal bureaucracy?

Scratching our heads over rising food prices is yet another example of our historical blind spot. The cover story in this issue proves that hunger games are a time-honored tactic of governments to enslave their own people by restricting resources and concocting famines.

"US Beef Herd Has Shrunk 40% Since 1975 to Smallest Size Since 1961" warns a recent International Business Times headline. The author blames the usual culprits — "severe droughts and rising costs" — but students of history realize this type of situation has little to do with natural phenomena or free-market forces. Bureaucracy's iron fist is to blame.

Egg prices are at an all-time high thanks to government culling more than 148 million birds to protect us all from avian influenza. It's the same government that "protected" us from Covid with fatal mandates and debilitating lockdowns. As before, mainstream outlets excuse the tyranny, this time painting the picture of millions of sick birds dropping like flies and humans in peril from the supposedly mutating virus. But it is difficult not to see fraud when you notice that government guns are targeting only domesticated poultry, not wildfowl.

Alternative media question the narrative. Real Raw News reported that one Nebraska breeder said federal inspectors ordered him to euthanize 600,000 healthy birds, threatening him with exorbitant fines and a lengthy prison sentence for noncompliance.

One of the officials who signed off on this property theft was Phyllis Fong, inspector general of the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA). After President Donald Trump fired her in January, Fong challenged the dismissal, citing federal law requiring the president to give Congress 30 days' notice with valid rationale before firing an inspector general.

One skeptically wonders if he targeted Fong because she is investigating a company, Neuralink, for possible animal cruelty violations; Neuralink belongs to DOGE poster boy Elon Musk. On the other hand, there are some interesting details about her track record. For example, what about her tenure with the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA), the agency that John Birch Society founder Robert Welch called "that coddler of the inefficient and truster of the untrustworthy"? Democratic President Bill Clinton appointed Fong SBA inspector general in 1999, just before he granted Permanent Normal Trade Relations to Communist China and facilitated that murderous regime's accession to the World Trade Organization. With Fong's background in both Asian studies and law, did she participate in this treasonous sellout?

Her SBA tenure ended when Republican President George W. Bush appointed her USDA inspector general in 2002. From then until now, she has played a crucial role in the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States, which determines the effect of that investment on national security. China's troubling acquisition of property near U.S. military bases; its purchase of the nation's largest pork producer, Smithfield Foods; and other large gains in the past 22 years all happened under Fong's watch.

Yet she is only one of three million civilians in the federal workforce that no amount of DOGE culling is going to significantly reduce. The answer is not improvements to unconstitutional programs, but the complete shutdown of the destructive fourth branch of government. Otherwise, we're sitting ducks for another famine planned to impose world government. ■

QUICK QUOTES

"My first piece of advice to you is: Let's take care of our mental and physical health first before we embark upon what is going to be a journey to rebuild these communities back and rebuild them better than they were when we started this fire."

Mark Pestrella, *Los Angeles County Public Works director, gave an update to the press on January 12 about the Eaton Fire, which began on January 7. Social media exploded over his Freudian slip, with many speculating that the fire will jumpstart Los Angeles' 15-minute-city plans. Pestrella has served on the Board of Directors of the Institute for Sustainable Infrastructure.*

"Community Plans establish complementary local policies unique to each community. The City of Los Angeles is geographically divided into 35 Community Plans and two Special Purpose Districts, Port of Los Angeles and Los Angeles World Airports, which together depict a range of allowable land uses and zoning for each parcel in the city."

Los Angeles' comprehensive development plan, **OurLA2040**, *admits that urban planners have already divided the city into managed zones.*

"You have a smart city coming to L.A. just in time for the [2028] Olympics, and is this now gonna be shovel-ready ground? Yeah! They burned everything right down to the ground. Now it's all shovel-ready!"

Podcast host **Brannon Howse** *interviewed Dr. Peter Breggin on January 10 about Los Angeles' published plans to implement a 15-minute city. Breggin, the author of* COVID-19 and the Global Predators: We Are the Prey, *linked smart cities to the United Nations and George Soros.*

"[Hosting the Olympics is] the opportunity I think to rebuild at the same time. And that's why we're already organizing a Marshall Plan, and we already have a team looking and reimagining LA 2.0. And we're making sure everyone's included, not just folks on the coast, [but] people here that were ravaged by this disaster."

California's Democratic Governor **Gavin Newsom** *gave NBC's* Meet the Press *an exclusive interview on January 12. He referenced the Marshall Plan, which arranged for American tax dollars to pour into Western Europe following World War II to implement socialist policies such as burdensome regulations, industry nationalization, and crushing taxes.*

"As climate change and global conflict cause shocks and stresses at faster intervals and increasing severity, the 15-minute city will become even more critical."

The **World Economic Forum** *(WEF) published a March 15, 2022 article titled "The surprising stickiness of the '15-minute city'" at Weforum.org. Its sister site, C40KnowledgeHub.org, preceded that with its July 2020 implementation guide, "How to build back better with a 15-minute city." The C40 Cities Climate Leadership Group, established in 2005, is a global network of nearly 100 of the world's largest cities whose leaders have pledged to implement WEF's net-zero emission goals.*

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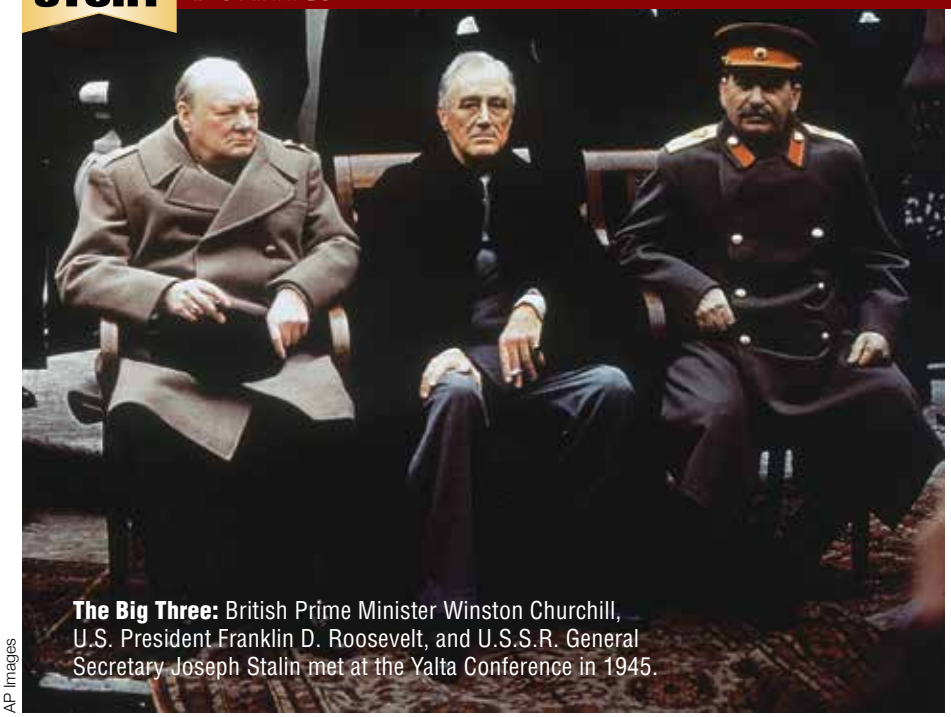

The Big Three: British Prime Minister Winston Churchill, U.S. President Franklin D. Roosevelt, and U.S.S.R. General Secretary Joseph Stalin met at the Yalta Conference in 1945.

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TO MAKE THE WORLD SAFE FOR COMMUNISM

Despite the alleged gulf between capitalism and communism, U.S. support helped establish ruthless dictatorships across the globe during the 20th century.

by Rebecca Terrell

The photo is iconic: British Prime Minister Winston Churchill, U.S. President Franklin D. Roosevelt, and Joseph Stalin, leader of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics — the "Big Three" — slumped carelessly side by side in chairs atop ornate Persian rugs at the former imperial Russian palace in Crimea. Flanked by lesser dignitaries and military brass, they met in February 1945 at the Yalta Conference to negotiate an end to World War II in Europe.

"Had the Yalta Conference been held before the presidential elections of 1944, Mr. Roosevelt would not have been reelected, because of the votes of Americans linked by blood to those nations which had been 'sold down the river,'" wrote Arthur Bliss Lane in his 1948 exposé *I Saw Poland Betrayed*. Lane resigned his position as American ambassador to that unfortunate country in protest of the sellout, calling Yalta the "deathblow to Poland's hopes" for independence.

Indeed, Stalin walked away from the conference with such monumental concessions that Americans should have scratched their heads at FDR's and Churchill's rallying wartime appeals to rid the world of Nazi socialism and Italian fascism. Apparently, Soviet communism wasn't so bad; Stalin's Western allies ceded dominance of Eastern Europe and crucial ports and infrastructure to the man whose name was synonymous with terroristic purges, gulag labor camps, and government-induced famine.

Three years later, American tax money poured into Western Europe to "subsidize the socialist policies of European governments — nationalization of industries, central planning, wage and price controls, excessive taxation, trade restrictions, burdensome regulation, currency devaluation — just the opposite of what was needed to help Europe recover from the war's devastation," wrote William F. Jasper in *Global Tyranny ... Step by Step*. That funding came courtesy of the Marshall Plan, named for President Harry Truman's secretary of state, General George C. Marshall. He had served as Roosevelt's U.S. Army chief of staff, and was the man responsible for concealing military intelligence of Japan's plot to attack our Navy's Pacific Fleet in Pearl Harbor, as revealed in John Toland's *Infamy: Pearl Harbor and Its Aftermath*.

Two thousand servicemen died and 18 vessels were ruined. However, we instantly "put our war with Japan, who had attacked us, on a back burner … and we gave immediate overwhelming priority to keeping the Communist regime in Russia from being toppled by the Germans," wrote John Birch Society founder Robert Welch in his July 1976 JBS *Bulletin*. "The whole new war was then fought … primarily for the benefit of Soviet power, prestige and expansion."

This shouldn't have surprised anyone, after President Woodrow Wilson's 1917 "to make the world safe for democracy" pretext that launched us into World War I. At that time, wealthy Americans such as J.P. Morgan and John D. Rockefeller — with significant help from U.S. government officials — were bankrolling Russia's takeover. In *Wall Street and the Bolshevik Revolution*, Antony Sutton details the establishment of the Soviet Union by Western financiers to exploit Russia's natural resources. Never mind that historians estimate as many as 12 million of her countrymen perished in the ensuing Russian Civil War and government-induced famine.

Acting through the same playbook, Roosevelt signed the Lend-Lease Act in 1941, allowing for the transfer of U.S. government materials and atomic technology to our "allies" during and after the Second World War. U.S. Army Air Corps officer George Racey Jordan published his memoir, *From Major Jordan's Diaries*, in 1952 to reveal the extensive leaks of sensitive military and industrial secrets finagled by Soviet agents and their sympathizers within U.S. government, military, and industry. Thus did our leaders

set the stage for the decades-long Cold War.

The United States used that standoff as an excuse to support other communist regimes. Suddenly Stalin was a bad guy again, and taxpayers were told that America must contain Soviet expansion. So the Truman administration sent economic and military aid to brutes such as Josip Broz Tito in Yugoslavia. It was a diabolic double-cross of that country's anti-communist leader Draja Mihailovich, who had been a key figure in the resistance against the Axis powers during the Second World War. Meanwhile, hundreds of thousands died in Tito's democide.

In the Far East, U.S. leaders betrayed the Chinese Nationalists under General Chiang Kai-shek, another World War II ally. "As Chief of Staff [of the U.S. Army], I armed thirty anti-Communist divisions," General Marshall is said to have remarked as he cut off military aid to the freedom fighters. "Now with the stroke of a pen, I disarm them." Journalist John T. Flynn recorded the treachery in *While You Slept: Our Tragedy in Asia and Who Made It*, explaining that Chiang was defeating his adversary until the United States pulled the plug, handing the Red Dragon over to the Red Menace of Mao Zedong.

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Backstabber: U.S. Army Chief of Staff George Marshall cut off military aid to Chinese Nationalist Chiang Kai-shek, who was defeating communist forces under Mao Zedong.

Similar betrayals took place across the globe throughout the 20th century: in Romania under the murderous dictator Nicolae Ceaușescu; in Venezuela under the socialist/globalist Rómulo Betancourt; and even in Cuba. After the revolution in the 1950s, Fidel "Castro could not have seized power in Cuba without the aid of the United States," wrote Cuba's former U.S. Ambassador Earl Smith in *The New York Times* in 1979.

Korea provides another case in point. In his 1964 memoirs, General Douglas MacArthur quotes an official leaflet by Chinese Communist General Lin Piao stating:

> I would never have made the attack and risked my men and military reputation if I had not been assured that Washington would restrain General MacArthur from taking adequate retaliatory measures against my lines of supply and communication.

The resulting stalemate has trapped the U.S. military on guard at the demilitarized zone between North and South Korea, and today North Korea is regarded as one of the most repressive regimes in the world.

Vietnam's "incredibly foul viceroy, Ho Chi Minh, had to have the immeasurable help of our State Department, through such subversive agents as [U.S. General] Edward Lansdale, during the whole decade of 1944-1954," wrote Welch. That support enabled the Vietnamese communists to mount a protracted 20-year war against U.S. forces beginning in 1955, while continuing to receive U.S. aid indirectly by way of other communist regimes we were supporting. "Bombing the Ho Chi Minh Trail to interdict the enemy's supplies made no sense when we were enriching the source of those supplies," explains James Perloff in *The Shadows of Power*. "Trade that would have been labeled 'treason' in World War II was called 'building bridges' during the Vietnam War."

On the pretext of counterbalancing Vietnam's influence in the region, Zbigniew Brzezinski, U.S. national security advisor under President Jimmy Carter, supported Pol Pot's murderous Khmer Rouge regime in Cambodia, promoting the dictatorship in the United Nations despite our government's full knowledge of atrocities carried out in concentration camps known as the Killing Fields.

Communist brutality was likewise no hindrance to our support of the genocidal Mengistu Haile Mariam in Ethiopia. During his Red Terror campaign of the 1970s, when tens of thousands were imprisoned, tortured, and executed, and during the subsequent government-induced famine of the 1980s that killed more than a million, Mengistu "received $1 billion in aid from the West, most of it channeled through [the International Monetary Fund] and other multilateral lending agencies," reported Robert W. Lee in *The New American* in 1992.

The United States was then and is now the largest financial supporter of the International Monetary Fund, the United Nations, the World Bank, and other international bodies, and through those continues its support of tyrants worldwide. Our withdrawal from these organizations is long overdue. ■

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Ending Birthright Citizenship

The claim that birthright citizenship is constitutionally required is based on a ludicrous misinterpretation of the 14th Amendment.

by Joe Wolverton II, J.D.

On January 20, President Donald Trump signed an executive order declaring an end to the practice of birthright citizenship. This executive action marks a dramatic shift in U.S. immigration policy, with significant constitutional implications. It also reignites a debate over whether birthright citizenship is truly required by the 14th Amendment. A close examination of the Constitution, the intent of its framers, and relevant historical precedents reveals that birthright citizenship is neither constitutionally mandated nor consistent with the principles underlying American law and government.

The argument for birthright citizenship primarily hinges on the citizenship clause of the 14th Amendment, which reads: "All persons born or naturalized in the United States, and subject to the jurisdiction thereof, are citizens of the United States and of the State wherein they reside."

The phrase "and subject to the jurisdiction thereof" is the crux of the issue. Advocates of birthright citizenship argue that this language simply requires physical presence within U.S. borders. However, such an interpretation ignores the historical and legal context of the 14th Amendment.

When U.S. Senator Jacob Howard of Michigan introduced the citizenship clause in 1866, he explained its intent, emphasizing how his proposal should be interpreted: "This will not, of course, include persons born in the United States who are foreigners, aliens, [or] who belong to the families of ambassadors or foreign ministers accredited to the Government of the United States, but will include every other class of persons."

Howard's statement clearly indicates that "subject to the jurisdiction thereof" was understood to exclude individuals whose allegiance lay with a foreign power.

How could a person "born in the United States" be simultaneously a citizen and a "foreigner" or "alien" if the mere fact of nativity settled the question of citizenship?

This interpretation aligns with the principle of allegiance as the cornerstone of citizenship. Birthright citizenship, as it is understood today, effectively disregards this vital qualification.

The 1898 Supreme Court case *United States v. Wong Kim Ark* is often cited as establishing birthright citizenship. However, this case is frequently misunderstood. Wong Kim Ark was born in the United States to Chinese parents who were lawful permanent residents. The Court held that he was a U.S. citizen based on the 14th Amendment. Crucially, Wong Kim Ark's parents were not illegal immigrants, nor were they merely temporary visitors. The decision, therefore, does not apply to children of individuals who are unlawfully present in the United States.

In *Plyler v. Doe* (1982), the Supreme Court addressed the rights of undocumented immigrants' children, but stopped short of declaring them citizens. Instead, the Court focused on equal-protection rights for purposes of public education. The dicta in that case — suggesting equivalence between lawful and unlawful presence under the 14th Amendment — is not binding law and lacks the constitutional weight necessary to support the expansive claims made by birthright-citizenship advocates.

The American legal tradition is rooted in the principle that citizenship arises from allegiance. This is why the children of foreign diplomats born in the United States are not granted citizenship — they owe allegiance to their parents' home countries, not to the United States.

Swiss legal scholar Emmerich de Vattel defined the concept of citizenship in his 1758 treatise *The Law of Nations*, which, according to Benjamin Franklin, "had been continually in the hands of the members of our congress."

Book I, Chapter 19, Section 212 of *The Law of Nations* reads:

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> Natural-born citizens, are those born in the country, of parents who are citizens. As the society cannot exist and perpetuate itself otherwise than by the children of the citizens, those children naturally follow the condition of their fathers, and succeed to all their rights. The society is supposed to desire this, in consequence of what it owes to its own preservation; and it is presumed, as matter of course, that each citizen, on entering into society, reserves to his children the right of becoming members of it. The country of the fathers is therefore that of the children; and these become true citizens merely by their tacit consent. We shall soon see, whether, on their coming to the years of discretion, they may renounce their right, and what they owe to the society in which they were born. I say, that, in order to be of the country, it is necessary that a person be born of a father who is a citizen; for if he is born there of a foreigner, it will be only the place of his birth, and not his country.

Original intent: President Trump's executive order restores the original understanding of the 14th Amendment, limiting citizenship to those lawfully subject to U.S. jurisdiction. Ending birthright citizenship will help stop the wave of illegal immigration into the United States.

De Vattel's work was widely read and respected during the drafting of the Constitution, and his definition underscores the idea that citizenship is a social and legal bond rooted in the allegiance of one's parents. The 14th Amendment, far from repudiating this principle, reaffirmed it by limiting birthright citizenship to those "subject to the jurisdiction" of the United States.

Historical evidence further supports the conclusion that birthright citizenship is not constitutionally required. For example, during the debates over the 14th Amendment, Representative John Bingham of Ohio — a principal architect of the amendment — stated: "Every human being born within the United States of parents not owing allegiance to any foreign sovereignty is … a natural born citizen."

This qualification reflects a consistent understanding among the framers of the 14th Amendment that citizenship is conferred not by the mere accident of birth location, but by the allegiance of one's parents. It is also worth noting that the United States inherited its rejection of "birthplace citizenship" from English common law, which recognized allegiance as the foundation of subjectship.

The modern application of the 14th Amendment to justify birthright citizenship is a distortion of its original purpose. The amendment was intended to secure the rights of newly freed slaves, ensuring that they would be recognized as citizens despite state laws to the contrary. It was not designed to create an incentive for illegal immigration or to grant citizenship to the children of those who disregard U.S. immigration laws.

Granting automatic citizenship to the children of individuals unlawfully present undermines the principle of consent of the governed. It extends the benefits of citizenship to individuals who have not been lawfully admitted into the national community. This practice erodes the distinction between legal and illegal entry, effectively nullifying Congress' authority over immigration policy.

President Trump's executive order ending birthright citizenship is a bold and necessary step toward restoring the constitutional understanding of citizenship. It challenges the modern orthodoxy that misinterprets the 14th Amendment and disregards the framers' intent. While critics will undoubtedly argue that the executive order violates constitutional rights, the actual text and history of the 14th Amendment reveal otherwise.

The Supreme Court should seize the opportunity to revisit the issue and affirm that birthright citizenship is not constitutionally mandated. Until that happens, the executive order represents a return to the principle that citizenship is a privilege of those who owe allegiance to the United States, not a reward for those who violate its laws.

The concept of birthright citizenship has long been a source of controversy in American political discourse. However, a careful examination of the Constitution, historical precedent, and the intent of the framers demonstrates that it is neither required by the 14th Amendment nor consistent with the principles of American government. President Trump's executive order is a courageous move to uphold the rule of law and preserve the integrity of U.S. citizenship. The debate over birthright citizenship is far from over, but one thing is clear: The Constitution, properly understood, does not sanction it. ■

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Interview by Christian Gomez

The New American recently interviewed Republican U.S. Representative Harriet Hageman of Wyoming. On August 16, 2022, Hageman defeated then-incumbent Representative Liz Cheney in the Republican primary for the U.S. House of Representatives election in Wyoming. Hageman won the House election in 2022, and was reelected in a landslide in 2024.

Hageman boasts an impressive 93-percent lifetime score in *The New American's* Freedom Index, which rates how members of Congress vote based on their fidelity to the Constitution. Contrast Hageman's score to that of her predecessor. Upon leaving office, Cheney's lifetime Freedom Index score was a meager 57 percent. It had progressively worsened with each Congress, going from a 62-percent cumulative score for the 115th Congress (2017-2018) to 51 percent for the 117th Congress (2021-2022). Whereas Cheney was a key member of then-House Speaker Nancy Pelosi's (D-Calif.) J6 committee that covered up evidence that didn't fit its narrative in order to unjustly target Trump supporters and conservative Americans, Hageman has distinguished herself as a leading champion in the fight against the weaponization of government and other schemes that threaten to undermine the Constitution.

The following is an abridged and lightly edited transcript of our interview with Hageman. The full interview is available as a video at TheNewAmerican.com.

***The New American*:** A lot of the radical green agenda that's been coming from the White House stems from the United Nations. In 2015, the United Nations unveiled the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, also known as Agenda 2030, which is a sequel to the UN's Agenda 21 program from 1992 that they unveiled in Rio de Janeiro. Back in the 118th Congress, on January 31, 2024, you co-sponsored the Disengaging Entirely From the United Nations Debacle Act, also known as the DEFUND Act, which was introduced by Congressman Chip Roy (R-Texas). That bill would repeal the United Nations Participation Act of 1945 and the 1947 United Nations Headquarters Agreement Act. Basically, it would *Get US Out!* of the UN and get the UN off of U.S. soil. You co-sponsored that in the previous Congress. It has not yet been introduced in this Congress. However, should the bill be reintroduced, where do you stand now on getting out of the UN?

Representative Harriet Hageman: We need to get out of the UN and we need to get out of the WHO [World Health Organization], both of which have become insidious organizations that have done more damage around the world than they've actually helped. Obviously after World War II there was an interest in preventing World War III, and the leaders at that time thought creating an organization like the UN would be the way to do that, where countries could come and sit down and they would all be civilized, and we could avoid what happened in Germany and spread throughout the world. The fact is that, like so many organizations over time, they become corrupt to their very core. And that's really what has happened to the UN. Whether there's another organization that we could create with our allies to take the place of the UN, I don't know the answer to that. But when you look at some of the metrics by which we can judge the UN — what was going on in Gaza, what happened after October 7, 2023, what the UN has done there, their involvement in propping up Hamas (a ter-

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rorist organization), funding a terrorist organization — they've got blood on their hands, in my opinion.

We do know that their so-called UN peacekeepers around the world have some of the highest incidents of rape and sexual abuse of the citizens of those countries. They obviously are horrible, horrible people, yet the UN has them on their payroll. Not only that, they're shipping them around the world so that they can engage in their nefarious acts. The UN has become a terribly insidious and corrupt organization. Any time that you would put people such as from Iran or Venezuela or Russia on a human rights council, you know that you are completely morally bankrupt. And I do not believe that we ought to be funding them to the extent that we are. To the extent we are giving them money, we ought to control a heck of a lot more of what they do around the world. But yes, I will sign on to a bill to get us out of the UN and get them off our shores.

***TNA*:** On the opening day of the current 119th Congress, you introduced a bill known as the First Amendment Accountability Act (H.R. 162). Can you tell us a little bit about this bill and how it would help the American people defend themselves from the weaponization of the federal government, as we saw in the Biden-Harris administration?

Hageman: You commented that you're a strict constructionist when it comes to the Constitution, and so am I. And what the Bill of Rights especially says is the Congress shall make no law infringing upon certain rights. Our forefathers recognized that our rights come from God. They do not come from the government, and as a result, they cannot be taken away by the government. What we saw with Covid and the attack against Donald Trump and after the 2020 election was a concerted effort by the federal government and people working for the Biden-Harris administration to stop conservatives and people more on the right side from speaking.

We know from Matt Taibbi and Michael Shellenberger with the Twitter files that they exposed how they — being the Biden administration — had infiltrated these companies and demanded that they take down tweets or posts or videos that they disliked. It was a blatant violation of our First Amendment right to freedom of speech, and also many other rights as protected by the First Amendment. We have the right to speak, but we also have the right to hear. I have the right to go to a conference and hear somebody speak. That's also my First Amendment right. We have the First Amendment right to peaceably assemble, the free exercise clause of religion, to petition our government for redress, freedom of the press. Every single one of these rights was abused just horrifically under the Biden and Harris administration. But in reality, they've been being abused for decades. Our federal government has become too strong, too powerful, and they have been suppressing our ability to exercise our rights. But the problem is you don't really have the right to sue an individual within the federal government for violating your rights.

What the First Amendment Restoration Act does, is it's patterned after 42 U.S.C. section 1983, which was a law passed after the Civil War to make sure that states could not continue to take away the civil rights and liberties of freed slaves. It's almost identical language, but it applies to the federal government and it applies to federal employees. A classic example, very recently, is that [the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)] has been discriminating against people who have Trump signs in their yards. FEMA employees were actually instructed by their bosses that you do not go to the houses of people who have Trump signs. That is a classic example of viewpoint discrimination, and it violates the First Amendment. If I had been one of those homeowners, under my bill, I would be able to sue the person who refused to come to my door. I would be able to sue the person who gave the order to not go to doors that have Trump signs in the front yard. I would be able to sue them personally to get damages, injunctive relief, and attorney's fees. And I'll tell you what, it's probably only going to take about two lawsuits and you're not going to see much more discrimination in violation of our First Amendment rights. A lot of people say, "Why should some guy in USDA get into trouble and be sued because he took away your First Amendment rights?" And my response is, because he can't do it, even if his superior comes to him and says, "Go in and tell that person they can't speak." He now has the ability to say, "I can't do that, sir, because if I do, they could sue me for violating their First Amendment rights." This is a mechanism. This is a good government mechanism to make sure that our public servants are not taking away our civil liberties.

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No more discrimination: Under the Biden-Harris administration, FEMA employees servicing areas ravaged by hurricanes Helene and Milton were allegedly told to avoid checking on homes with Trump signs. Hageman's "First Amendment Restoration Act" would empower Americans to sue federal government employees who discriminate against them because of their political views.

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Firebrand constitutionalist: After completing her first full term in the U.S. House of Representatives, Harriet Hageman has garnered an impressive 93-percent lifetime score in *The New American's* Freedom Index and is making her mark on Capitol Hill as a stalwart defender of the U.S. Constitution.

***TNA*:** There are members of the Wyoming state Legislature who are seeking to pass several state joint resolutions, which would apply to Congress to call a convention to propose amendments to the Constitution, also known as an Article V federal constitutional convention. What are your thoughts on amending the Constitution through such a convention?

Hageman: It's too dangerous. It's terribly, terribly dangerous. I don't think we could control it. And my view is, [we should] enforce the provisions of the Constitution that we already have, and then we'll talk about what changes need to be made. And the big one they always talk about is a balanced budget amendment. We have the ability to balance our budget. We don't need to have a constitutional provision requiring that. And even in states that do have a constitutional provision requiring a balanced budget, they find ways to circumvent it. The state of California right now has a hole in their budget that's almost $100 billion. And after this disaster that they recently created, that's probably going to triple, if not quadruple. [California's Constitution requires that the governor submit a budget to the Legislature annually, and if the proposed expenditures for the budget year exceed estimated revenues, the governor is required to recommend the sources for the additional funding.] Even in the state of Wyoming we have a balanced budget requirement, but there are ways and mechanisms [by which] they kind of just shove money around to try to avoid that. Here's the thing: Let's enforce the provisions of the Constitution right now. Elect people who are willing to do that and make the difficult decisions to do that, and even take power out of Washington, D.C., and return it to the states where it belongs, and then we can talk about other things that we could potentially fix constitutionally.

I think that all you have to do is look at those states [whose constitutions are] very malleable. And what you'll find is that they are more unstable than their surrounding states. I often think of the state of Colorado. They will amend their constitution almost at a whim, and as a result their constitution is way over-bloated, way too big, with way too many things that it's trying to do. And it really is not the foundational document that gives you your structure of government, which is what a constitution is supposed to be.

I was recently asked why I had such reverence for our Constitution, why I talk about it as much as I do. And I said, because this is the longest-living constitution in world history, and as a result it has provided a certain amount of stability and certainty that no other country has. There are countries that in the last 100 years may have had seven or eight different constitutions, and they're totally destabilized as a result. In the United States, we know how our banking system is going to work because we have a constitution that provides certainty in the banking sector. That way you can get capital to various organizations and businesses and ranches and gas stations and things like that.

The brilliance of our Constitution is in its stability and certainty. And we need to be very, very, very careful about opening that up, especially when you have people who want to take away our Second Amendment rights, when you have people who want to take away our Fourth Amendment rights, and right now you have one heck of a lot of people who want to take away our First Amendment rights. When you have people in positions of power who look at our Bill of Rights as a hindrance rather than a thing of beauty, what you recognize is that you can't ever let anybody like them anywhere close to a constitutional convention. Yet I would assure you it would be the [California Representative] Adam Schiffs of the world that would be right there, front and center, making sure that he was to be the most powerful person in the room. And I just think it would be bad.

***TNA*:** Absolutely. A constitutional convention certainly [threatens] the longevity of our Constitution as our nation's founding document and the key ingredient to a limited government, which preserves our God-given rights. Congresswoman Hageman, thank you so much for your time. Take care and God bless.

Hageman: Thank you. God bless you as well. ■

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Top UN Court to Issue Landmark Ruling on CLIMATE CHANGE

To preserve American freedom, prosperity, and sovereignty, we must refuse to participate in the UN global climate hoax.

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More socialism: UN Secretary-General António Guterres, a committed socialist, is excited about the International Court of Justice ruling on climate-change obligations of UN member states.

by Alex Newman

At the request of the United Nations and its member governments, the top UN "court" is set to rule on the supposed legal obligations of governments when it comes to fighting CO_2 emissions and the alleged man-made climate change they supposedly cause. Experts say it may be the most significant case ever heard by the global body.

The Biden administration joined governments around the world in asking the court to take a strong stand on the issue, but critics are sounding the alarm. Agriculture, energy, transportation, and other industries are all in the crosshairs, fueling concerns over more government-mandated economic carnage ahead.

"Largest Ever Case"

While the ruling expected from the International Court of Justice (ICJ) later this year is officially considered "advisory," it will have profound economic and political implications for the entire world. The UN is calling this the "largest ever case before [the] UN world court." Media propagandists, meanwhile, frame it as putting "the entire industrialized world on trial."

UN leaders expect governments around the world as well as international organizations to craft their "climate" policies based on the findings of the controversial judicial body. UN Secretary-General António Guterres, a proud socialist, was one of many key figures touting the significance of the case in the evolution of the global "climate regime," as they call it.

Encouraging the UN General Assembly in 2023 to ask the ICJ to rule on the issue, Guterres said the body's decisions "have tremendous importance and can have a long-standing impact on the international legal order."

The ruling, expected later this year, he continued, will "assist the General Assembly, the United Nations and Member States to take the bolder and stronger climate action that our world so desperately needs."

"It could also guide the actions and conduct of States in their relations with each other, as well as towards their own citizens," added Guterres. "This is essential."

Kangaroo Court

Long ridiculed by critics as a "kangaroo court," the Hague-based outfit features numerous judges hostile to Western traditions on God-given rights, the rule of law, and economic freedom. The stakes are extremely high.

"This may well be the most consequential case in the history of humanity," said Special Envoy for Climate Change and Environment Ralph Regenvanu of the Republic of Vanuatu, the government that ostensibly led the charge to have the case heard.

Speaking to the court in December on its first day of oral hearings, Regenvanu outlined what his government was seeking in the ruling. "We look to the Court for recognition that the conduct which has already caused immense harm to my people and so many others is unlawful, that it must cease, and that its consequences must be repaired," he said.

A variety of organizations, many fund-

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ed by taxpayers, has been lobbying for the ICJ to rule that governments have a concrete legal obligation to suppress activities that produce emissions of CO_2 (the gas of life, exhaled by all people) and other so-called greenhouse gases. Unspecified "legal consequences" are being threatened for those that refuse.

"An opinion from the Court could also send a powerful message to States and other actors responsible for greenhouse gas emissions, emphasizing the urgent need for deep, rapid, and sustained reductions aimed at reaching the goal of limiting warming to 1.5 degrees Celsius," argued the International Union for Conservation of Nature, warning those who refuse.

Another group lobbying for a strong ruling went even further. "Clarification of the law by the ICJ in relation to climate change may pave the way to bring States to Court if they do not protect people and the planet from the impacts of the climate crisis or for causing the crisis in the first place," claimed the far-left Center for International Environmental Law, which is proudly using environmental lawfare for what it calls "transformative change."

Threat to Sovereignty

Critics of the whole process, though, are sounding the alarm about the implications of this case. Speaking to *The New American*, ClimateDepot.com publisher Marc Morano with the pro-market environmental group Committee for a Constructive Tomorrow (CFACT) warned that this was a major threat by globalists to sovereignty and liberty.

"Putting the ICJ in charge of determining nations' financial liability for their contribution to climate change and what countries must do to fight climate change is genuinely bonkers," explained Morano, often attacked by the media as the world's top "denier" of the man-made warming movement.

"The globalists are pulling the puppet strings at the ICJ," continued Morano, a former U.S. Senate staffer who has attended almost every UN climate summit for the last two decades.

And this is all just the tip of the iceberg if not stopped. "The World Economic Forum has already called on the ICJ to prosecute the crime of 'Ecocide' in Davos to prevent the 'mass damage and destruction of nature'," added Morano. "The entire goal of the Davos crowd is to turn you into a feudal-style serf where your overlords rule your life."

In a presentation in December at the ICJ during the hearings in the case, governments from around the world pleaded with the judges to drop the hammer on the supposed "pollution" CO_2 (known to serious scientists as the gas of life). Ironically, major oil and gas producers lobbied for restrictions as well, perhaps hoping to cut supply and boost prices.

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Pollution or plant food? The UN calls carbon dioxide "pollution," but, in reality, the gas is essential to life on Earth, especially plant life. The amount of CO_2 in the atmosphere is far from dangerous.

During its last days in power, the Biden administration — a leading proponent of undermining Western economies to "save the climate" — urged the 15 self-styled judges at the World Court to issue a strong ruling outlining the supposed duties of national governments on the issue of global warming.

"The United States recognizes the climate crisis as one of the gravest challenges humanity has ever faced," claimed Biden envoy Margaret Taylor, a legal advisor at the State Department, in her remarks before the court. She did not mention the surveys consistently showing that most U.S. adults reject the man-made global-warming hypothesis altogether.

Still, the sky is falling, and only major government action at the international level will suffice to deal with it, Taylor continued.

"It is global in its causes, resulting from a wide variety of human activities worldwide that emit carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases, including 'super pollutants' such as methane," the Biden State Department lawyer claimed. "Such activities include not only the burning of fossil fuels for energy production but also agriculture, deforestation and industrial processes."

The U.S. government is also open to the possibility of establishing a "new human right to a healthy environment" through the "established rules for the creation of international law," added the Biden envoy. The thinking reflects the "progressive" view that rights come from government, not God, and that new "rights" requiring government limits on people's freedom can simply be invented at will.

Taylor also made clear that the Biden administration stands solidly behind a broad array of dubious UN treaties, agreements, conventions, and policies known collectively as the UN climate "regime." The UN court's coming interpretation of the agreements underpinning that regime will play a major role in global policy.

As *The New American* reported from the UN "Summit of the Future," the UN and its members agreed in the "Pact for the Future" that all governments must submit to its rulings. "We will fulfill our obligation to comply with the decisions and uphold the mandate of the International Court of Justice," states the pact,

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Climate justice warrior: "Youth climate justice" leader Mert Taner Kumru told *The New American* in 2022 that the UN's World Court must crack down on CO_2 emissions because they are a threat to humanity.

adopted by the UN by "consensus" among its nearly 200 member governments.

Socialist Roots

The ICJ, founded in 1945 under the UN Charter, was aimed primarily at settling disputes between national governments. Its 15 judges are elected by the UN General Assembly, a body often mocked as the "dictators club," where tyrants such as Kim Jong Un of North Korea and communist regimes such as Cuba's each get one vote, as does the U.S. government. Adding insult to injury, the judges often come from corrupt and totalitarian societies where "law" is understood to be whatever the tyrant or oligarchy in power says.

Long before the UN was even founded, though, the Fabian Socialist movement in the United Kingdom was calling for a socialistic, one-world government. A key part of its plan, outlined in a committee report on "International Government," was the formation of an "International High Court for the decision of justiciable issues between independent Sovereign States."

Endangered "Rights"

In a troubling indication of how the case may go, the European Court of Human Rights ruled last year that government action against activities that produce CO_2 (essentially anything and everything) is necessary. That is because "protection" from the "impacts of climate change" is a supposed "human right," the kangaroo court found, citing the UN Paris Agreement and other international deals. Other international judicial bodies have made similar rulings.

At the UN climate summit in Egypt in December 2022, "youth climate justice" leader Mert Taner Kumru told *The New American* that the World Court must offer a ruling on this because human rights are endangered by human CO_2 emissions. He was one of many young people who had all-expense-paid trips to the summit to lobby for the UN agenda parroting the same rhetoric.

"What we want is to make it clear by an advisory opinion of the International Court of Justice that the impacts of the climate crisis are being — with regards to our human rights — are being explained by the Court so that we can use this in national future cases, but also to explain and interpret the Paris Agreement in a better way so we can improve policies globally so we can actually aim for that 1.5-degrees maximum increase of temperature," Kumru said, referring to the temperature increase that governments and UN-backed scientists claim is the upper tolerable limit before catastrophe. "We need an advisory opinion to actually bring climate justice to the courts and to the world."

Asked tough questions about the science underpinning the agenda and the supposed solutions, Kumru deflected.

The ICJ case on climate is a response to a request by the UN General Assembly for the court to offer guidance on the issue and to "clarify" the "international law" on the issue. Multiple UN agreements, conventions, and other multilateral instruments were cited as sources of relevant law, despite many of those documents never mentioning climate or even the environment.

Almost 100 national governments and about a dozen international organizations participated in the oral hearings, with more than 90 written statements filed in the case. That makes it the largest ever in the World Court's history, according to the UN.

The ruling will officially be "nonbinding." However, multiple legal analysts have pointed out that this can be deceiving. It is true that the court cannot enforce its opinion on governments. However, because the rulings are framed as an effort to "clarify" existing so-called international law, which globalists claim is in fact binding, there is major power behind them.

Multiple American state governments and activist groups are currently using state and federal courts to try to extort money from and ultimately destroy energy-producing firms. The coming ICJ ruling could play a role in that litigation. And multiple prominent U.S. jurists have called for incorporating international court rulings into domestic judicial processes.

Speaking to UN News, ICJ Registrar Philippe Gautier also emphasized the significance of "advisory" rulings by the court. They have "an authoritative value and cannot be neglected," he said.

Historic Opportunity

Of course, Trump has a historic opportunity to undermine and even crush the UN-backed plot to exploit engineered climate hysteria for totalitarian purposes. And he has shown a desire to do so, repeatedly arguing in recent years that destroying the global warming "hoax" and "fraud" must be a top priority.

However, there are powerful forces within his new administration — and a growing movement among liberal Republicans in Congress — pushing to find a supposedly "conservative solution" rather than destroy altogether what Trump called the "hoax." Americans who value liberty, sovereignty, and prosperity must remain active and make their voices heard. ■

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SOUTH DAKOTA STANDING FIRM
FOR PROPERTY RIGHTS AND FOOD SECURITY

by Rebecca Terrell

South Dakota is proving herself a fortress against globalist schemes to rob farmers of their property by claiming eminent domain for carbon-capture pipelines. Among neighbors who have capitulated to the land-grabbing ploys, her officials are defending South Dakotans in a way that the rest of us should both envy and emulate.

The background of the story is this: Pipeline companies are eagerly awaiting the chance at billions in government subsidies to sequester carbon dioxide (CO_2) underground — a process known as carbon capture and storage (CCS). Potential payouts are so large that the companies are suing landowners who don't sign voluntary easements, and, in most cases, elected leaders are selling out their constituents to Washington-backed corporate interests.

Never mind that supercritical (liquefied) CO_2 pumped through pipelines under extremely high pressure is ridiculously dangerous and toxic to animal and plant life; studies detailed at CO2PipelineZone.com have evinced as much as a five-mile "kill zone" around rupture sites. Never mind that pipeline companies, backed by government, threaten to use eminent domain to confiscate private property for their enterprises, made lucrative at the expense of American taxpayers. Never mind that much of the property they're commandeering is some of the most valuable farmland in our country, and taking that land out of agricultural production threatens our food security. Never mind that far from being a "pollutant," as eco-crazed bureaucrats have labeled it, CO_2 is a chemical compound critical to life on earth. It is plant food; it feeds our food.

Regardless, various state legislatures and agencies are boosting these projects, for which there is no demand on the free market. Indeed, until now, CCS has been used to create fracking fluid; CO_2 is captured from industrial facilities, liquefied, and injected into oil and gas wells to extract additional resources from them, a process known as enhanced oil recovery. Otherwise, there has been no incentive to transport the hazardous liquid — certainly not thousands of miles through numerous states at dangerously high pressure to sequester it underground.

But now there is a higher calling, according to Green New Dealers and Net Zeroists: We must sacrifice everything — private property and food included — to capture carbon dioxide. Otherwise Mother Earth will perish, and we along with her.

As usual when it comes to nefarious agendas masquerading as crackpot boondoggles, the federal government is here to help. Thanks to the 2021 Infrastructure Bill and the 2022 Inflation Reduction Act, billions in subsidies for CCS mean that for-profit companies such as Summit Carbon Solutions (SCS) needn't be bothered with free-market worries. SCS plans to snake its Midwest Carbon Express through Iowa, Minnesota, Nebraska, and South Dakota for underground sequestration in North Dakota. The amalgamation (storage) area is curiously close to oil and gas fields in the Bakken Shale, some of which are owned by one of Summit's

largest investors, though the company denies allegations that its CO_2 will be used for fracking. Regardless, Iowa, Minnesota, and North Dakota have approved Summit's permit applications; the latter also OK'd the amalgamation area. Since Nebraska has no established regulatory process for CO_2 pipelines, Summit is obtaining approvals from individual counties.

However, the states in Summit's path are only the tip of the iceberg. In 2022, the U.S. Department of Energy announced that 96,000 miles of CCS pipeline are planned across the nation. State governments are already setting the stage. Pennsylvania's Carbon Capture and Sequestration Act of 2024 enshrined eminent-domain theft into state law. Other states giving the green light to CCS include Alabama, Alaska, Colorado, Illinois, Indiana, West Virginia, and Wyoming. Companies waiting to gobble up federal largesse at the expense of taxpayers and property owners include Navigator CO_2 Ventures, Archer Daniels Midland, and Wolf Carbon Solutions.

Meanwhile, Big Brother is deaf to the incredible grassroots pushback against CCS encroachments — except in South Dakota. Summit faces resounding defeat in that state thanks to farmers and landowners who never before envisioned themselves getting involved in politics. However, the threat of losing their private property to the global "green" agenda has spurred them to such victories as these:

• In September 2023, the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (PUC), a three-member board directly elected by voters, rejected Summit's initial route permit.

• In June 2024, a grassroots effort garnered 28,000 signatures to refer Senate Bill 201 to the voters. Deceptively titled the "Landowner Bill of Rights," SB 201 would have stripped local control over CO_2 pipeline zoning laws away from individual counties. It was signed into law in March 2024 by then-Governor Kristi Noem (R), now Donald Trump's Homeland Security secretary. (Noem is invested in one of Summit's partner ethanol plants.) But 60 percent of voters overturned SB 201 in the November elections.

• In August 2024, the South Dakota Supreme Court ruled that Summit failed to prove its status as a "common carrier," which would have allowed it to invoke eminent domain. The justices wrote, "SCS has also failed to establish that the CO_2 featured in this case is a commodity," which amounts to another nail in Summit's eminent-domain coffin.

• In November 2024, many pipeline fighters won elections across the state after having defeated popular incumbents in June primaries. They ousted 11 Republicans who supported SB 201, and quickly made their mark by taking control of key leadership positions in the state Legislature.

One of those, speaker pro tempore Karla Lems (R), introduced HB 1052 in the first days of the 2025 session. It will "prohibit the exercise of eminent domain for a pipeline that carries carbon dioxide," and passed the House on January 27 with a vote of 49-19. Newly elected Senator Mark Lapka, also a Republican, is carrying the bill in his chamber.

On the heels of that victory, the South Dakota Legislature passed House Concurrent Resolution 6004, "affirming the state's rejection of carbon dioxide pipelines and urging President Donald Trump to avoid interfering with the Summit Carbon Solutions carbon dioxide pipeline through exercise of federal eminent domain powers." (The measure is significant because, during his first term, Trump increased and extended tax credits for carbon-capture projects.)

Among the powerful statements included in that resolution are two that show that South Dakotans are wide awake to the agenda behind projects such as CCS:

> WHEREAS, South Dakotans generally oppose federal policies associated with the Green New Deal and federal tax dollars being used to promote the policies; and
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> WHEREAS, corporations within the energy sector are capitalizing on the false premise of a looming climate apocalypse by introducing carbon capture and sequestration projects...
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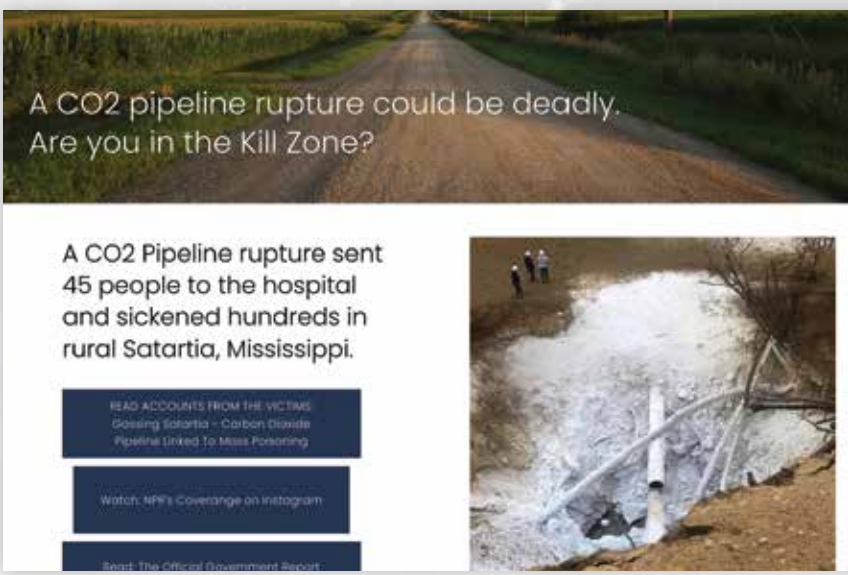
> … BE IT RESOLVED… that the South Dakota legislature opposes the fascism of mutually beneficial partnerships between government and private energy corporations created under the pretext of climate change.

Meanwhile, thousands of South Dakotans packed public hearings in January to oppose Summit's reapplication to the PUC for a pipeline permit. Others have rallied at the state Capitol in Pierre to push for an eminent-domain ban.

Naturally, pipeline opponents across the country look to the Mount Rushmore State as their model. "Will North Dakota Follow South Dakota's Lead on Eminent Domain Reform?" asks Dustin Gawrylow, managing director of the North Dakota Watchdog Network, on his Substack. Let's hope every state will. ■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Conservative Europeans Embracing MAGA

Donald Trump created a successful political revolution to Make America Great Again. Conservatives on the Continent are now working to Make Europe Great Again.

by Andrew Muller

BRUSSELS — Anti-globalist European forces are attempting to replicate the political success of Donald Trump's Make America Great Again (MAGA) movement. At the Make Europe Great Again (MEGA) international conference at the European Parliament in Brussels, Belgium, more than 500 politicians, staffers, and nongovernmental organizations (NGOs) gathered for a two-day event to game-plan how to "red pill" all of Europe. Organized by the European Conservatives and Reformists Group (ECR) and the Alliance for the Union of Romanians (AUR), the event was the second such annual gathering. *The New American* was on the ground at the event to get an understanding of the movement and talk with high-level leaders.

George Simion, a Romanian parliamentarian, president of the AUR, and executive vice president of the ECR, told *The New American*, "It is a wave. We are trying to go from MAGA to MEGA. We should seize the momentum; we should act now because the globalists are frightened."

As the name of the conference conveys, Donald Trump's political worldview is paramount to the movement. From closing borders and removing illegal invaders, to protecting European heritage, culture, and traditions, to returning to capitalism and free-market economies, MEGA seeks to defeat globalism and reclaim sovereignty.

Many attendees told *The New American* that their countries are warming up to the populist uprising led by Donald Trump, and they expressed the urgency of uniting around his leadership in Europe and abandoning the status quo. Throughout the event, speakers cited international support for President Javier Milei in Argentina, Italian populist Prime Minister Giorgia Meloni, Party for Freedom leader Geert Wilders in the Netherlands, the Alternative für Deutschland (AfD) party in Germany, and Nigel Farage's ever-growing Reform U.K. party as evidence of a desire to see change across the world.

Bringing Back Faith

Setting MEGA apart from status-quo populism, a theme of Christian faith was distinct throughout the event. Banners were erected that read, "Defending Western values in the European Parliament," and speakers repeatedly defined and articulated those Western values solely as principles derived from the biblical Christian worldview. Simion, the leader of MEGA, told *The New American*, "We cannot do anything without God. We have four pillars at the basis of our party: nation, family — composed of a man and a woman, faith — Christian faith, … and of course freedom."

"We must follow the words of God and of our Bible," he added.

Accordingly, many speakers offered history lessons on the influence of Christendom in Europe. They noted how fundamental societal constructs such as family, nations, and marriage being between a man and woman are biblical principles. With mass migration compromising many Europeans' cultures and religious practices, speakers said, returning to the Christian faith is a high priority.

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Globalism Out, Nationalism In

In line with President Trump's "America First" nationalism, MEGA brought its own flavor of nationalism, which speakers and attendees often labeled "sovereigntism." This writer observed a variety of opinions on how to handle the rise of globalism, but there was one consistent thread among the proposed solutions: Decentralization and a move away from the United Nations (UN) and European Union (EU).

Opinions on how to accomplish decentralization ranged from abolishing the UN and EU altogether to various reform measures. One Australian parliamentarian summed up part of the group's concerns by saying international bodies are prone to "mission creep," as time naturally corrupts an entity's original mission. Debates took place in hallways and corridors regarding the good or evil behind the original visions of the UN and EU.

The John Birch Society has been exposing for decades how the UN and EU were instituted with the specific purpose of eroding national sovereignty and individual liberty as a part of a global conspiracy. With that understanding, abolition — not reform — is the only reasonable solution. Not all participants at MEGA saw "multilateral" groups as part of a conspiracy. However, there appeared to be the beginning of an awakening and a distrust of the leadership and vision of the UN and EU — a step in the right direction.

Among the American voices at MEGA was Dr. Robert Malone, a pioneer of mRNA technology and critic of the Covid-19 shots and lockdowns. He told *The New American*, "The European Union, as it currently exists, is overextended, and it is counterproductive." He said that "it needs to be reformed," however, rather than abolished.

Malone, who has been interviewed many times by *The New American* magazine since the Covid-19 lockdowns started, said he felt "called" to attend MEGA not simply to discuss medical freedom, but to defend free speech and fight propaganda. "As I learn more and more," he reflected, "I realize that the issue is not medical freedom; the issue *is freedom*. The underlying issue behind the freedom problem is this push of oligarchs and globalists towards a hybrid or fusion between the corporatist interests of the World Economic Forum and the socialist interests of the United Nations."

He went on to say that President Trump's decentralization efforts, such as removing the United States from the World Health Organization (WHO), can be an example for Europe and all the world. This is already playing out on the global stage, with Argentina exiting the WHO, echoing Trump's first-day suite of executive orders.

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Doctor in the house: Dr. Robert Malone addressed MEGA on the importance of free speech, national sovereignty, and defeating globalism.

European Critic

One voice that has consistently exposed the EU for its globalist and anti-democratic ways is Christine Anderson. A member of the EU Parliament (MEP) and a key leader in Germany's AfD party, which has received praise from Elon Musk, Anderson told *The New American*: "So, they [European nations] are relinquishing their sovereignty in part to, you know, these institutions. And that is actually of great concern because the EU institutions, they are not only undemocratic, but they're also downright anti-democratic."

David Campbell Bannerman, a former MEP from England, brilliantly exposed the Chinese influence behind globalist institutions. In an address delivered to MEGA leaders, Bannerman exposed World Economic Forum (WEF) founder Klaus Schwab's vision for the Chinese Communist Party to be the "role model for many countries" in the New World Order. "This is like a fork in the road. Either we go down this WEF Chinese model and do it that way, and that's communism, and we lose our rights and freedoms … or we do it the American way; we do it the Trump way," he said.

He continued, "One of my key arguments for leaving the European Union (and I was a prominent Brexit member of the European Parliament) was because the EU is not democratic and overrides national sovereignty, and it overrides the nation-state…. There's too much Chinese influence."

EU "Democracy in Action" Under Scrutiny

A hot subject at MEGA was the annulment of the November 24 Romanian presidential election. Călin Georgescu — an outspoken nationalist and EU and NATO critic — won the election with 22.95 percent

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Firebrand from Germany: Christine Anderson (center, front row), a member of the European Parliament and AfD leader, spoke at the EU Parliament plenary session.

of the vote in a close, multi-candidate race. Leading up to the election, Georgescu had gained a gargantuan social-media following — mainly on TikTok — amassing millions of views for his Romania-first politics.

Soon after the shocking win, the Romanian Constitutional Court, made up of politicians selected by the current leftist president, annulled the result, citing so-called Russian interference as the reason. The election has been rescheduled for May 2025.

Romania was heavily discussed at MEGA, as it is a true linchpin for Western struggles with Moscow and the war in Ukraine. Currently, the largest NATO base to date is being constructed in southeastern Romania. The base, which will house 10,000 NATO troops, has been heavily criticized by Georgescu as a gateway for war.

On the Sean Ryan podcast, Georgescu, who was labeled by *Politico* as an "ultranationalist," shared, "What is happening now in Romania — and there's no reaction from abroad, especially from the United States — they don't understand what is going on here, because if they use Romania as a door for war, what would be next?"

The aforementioned Simion told *The New American*, "It was impossible for them to steal [the election]," referencing more than 20,000 poll watchers that stood guard to ensure a safe election. "They simply annulled the election through the members of the Constitutional Court, who are not actually judges but are appointed by the current [Romanian] president, the current dictator."

Enter the European Union. The European Commission, a cabinet government operating as the executive branch of the EU, opened a high-level investigation into TikTok, alleging that the Russian government elevated Georgescu's campaign, therefore interfering in the election. European Commission President Ursula von der Leyen articulated her concerns in a statement: "Following serious indications that foreign actors interfered in the Romanian presidential elections by using TikTok, we are now thoroughly investigating whether TikTok has violated the Digital Services Act by failing to tackle such risks." TikTok maintains the position that they did not interfere in the Romanian election, but EU forces see Georgescu's social-media fame as an example of Russian influence.

Speakers at MEGA consistently referred to the unfolding coup in Romania as evidence of corruption inside the EU, seeing the TikTok investigation as a method of meddling in a sovereign country's election and compromising free speech online. The EU's promotional signage reading "Democracy in Action," which was littered across the parliament, downtown Brussels, and the airport, was labeled "hypocritical" by MEGA attendees.

Youth Committed to Making Europe Great Again

Youth were ever-present at MEGA, participating in panels and question-and-answer sessions and as general observers. This writer spoke to a young man from London named Nicholas Lissack, who was attending MEGA to learn more about the success of Trump's MAGA movement and how he could use online media platforms to influence youth in the U.K. to get engaged.

When asked about globalism in the West, Lissack shared, "I think the second Trump administration really needs to place an emphasis on nationalism and populism and breaking up this neoliberal globalist establishment that's based here in Brussels. Europe will not thrive, and European countries will not regain proper sovereignty, until the European Union is a thing of the past."

Lissack has cultivated a large social-media following, encouraging youth in the U.K. to push back against the globalism, tyranny, and mass-migration policies that have infected the country.

A Message of Hope to the West

The MEGA conference ended with a call to action for a global, organized, grassroots response to the one-world-government conspiracy. Simion, calling for conservative unity, concluded MEGA by proclaiming, "We must be united, because in unity is our strength. If we fight alone, if we do not have allies and partners, we will be decimated."

The number of allies in the United States to help save Europe from totalitarian control is growing. Elon Musk posted on X after the event, "People of Europe: Join the MEGA movement! Make Europe Great Again!!"

The third installment of the Make Europe Great Again conference is set to take place next year. Organizers plan to hold it in multiple European countries to expand the movement. ■

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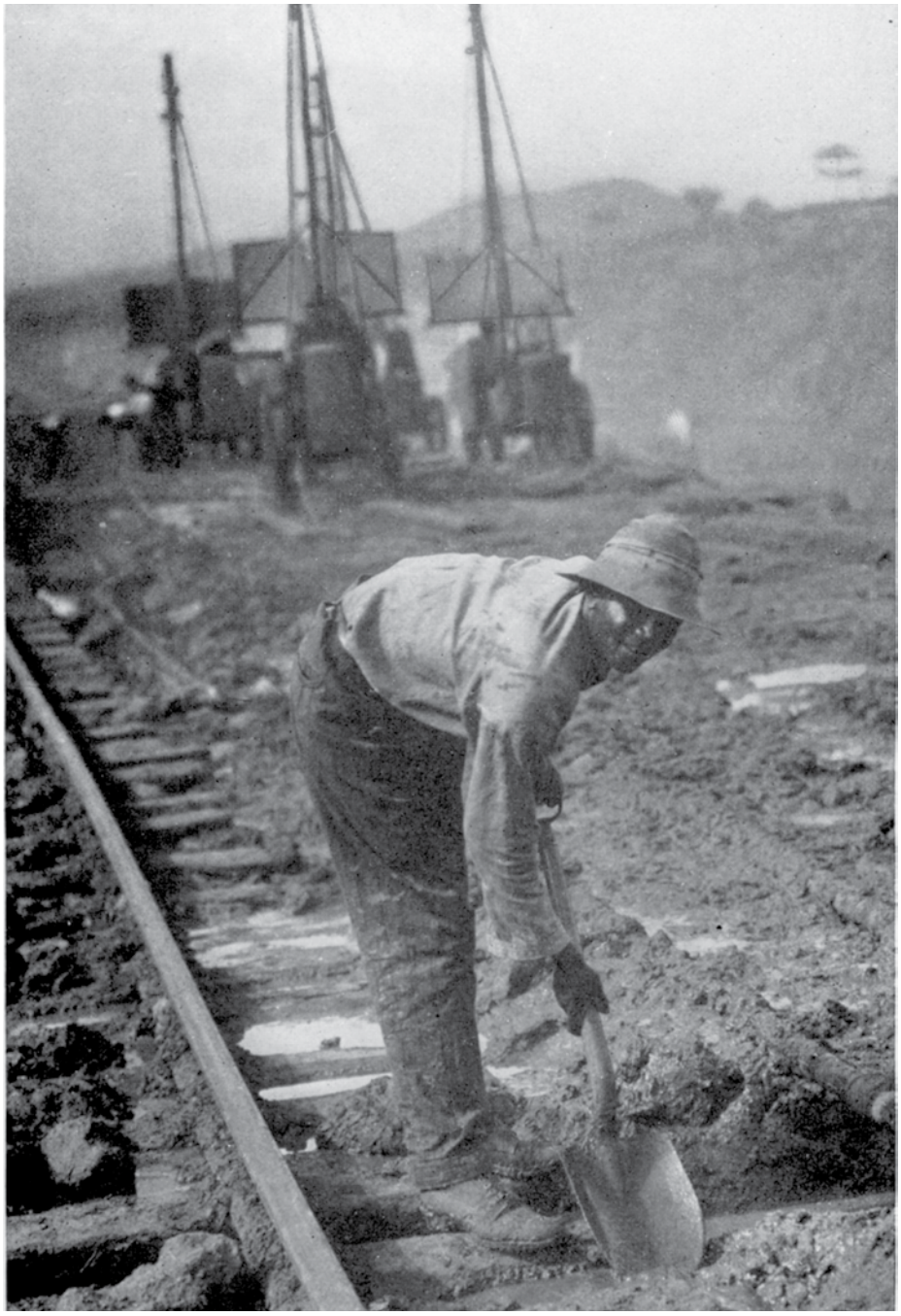

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Much has been written about the building of the Panama Canal. Yet no matter how many times it is told it never loses its sense of grandeur. British historian James Bryce called the Canal "the greatest liberty Man has ever taken with nature." Without a doubt it is one of the most compelling chapters in the history of mankind.

Ever since Vasco Nuñez de Balboa stood on the shores of Panama in 1513 and claimed the Pacific for Spain, men have dreamed of an isthmian canal. Not long after Balboa's discovery of the Pacific, the Spanish monarchy ordered a survey of Panama in order to investigate the possibility of building a canal. But the realities of 16th century technology and politics precluded any serious attempt at actual construction. It would take another 300 years and the construction of a Panamanian railroad before a canal would be seriously reconsidered.

An Isthmian Railroad

During the mid-19th century, both England and France entertained the idea of building a cross-isthmian railroad but neither could muster the capital and ambition to make the attempt. The United States displayed little interest in such an endeavor until the acquisition of Oregon and California subsequent to the war with Mexico. Both regions were virtually inaccessible to the population centers east of

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The Panama Railroad: Later to be described as "two streaks of rust and a right of way," it was profitable but could not meet the demand for cross-isthmian transport, demonstrating the need for a canal. Yet the railroad would prove indispensable in the construction of the canal. "The Panama Railroad," commented American engineer John F. Stevens in 1905, "is very largely a creature of the canal and the construction of the latter in the absence of the Railroad would be practically impossible."

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Workmen's quarters: During the early stages of the American canal effort, living conditions were wretched. Writing to his mother, engineer Charles L. Carroll complained: "Everyone is afflicted with running sores. We are compelled to sleep in an old shed, six to a room. Rain water is drunk rather than river water, because it is purer. The meals would sicken a dog...." To keep workers in the face of such conditions, wages for canal work were as much as 50% higher than for similar work back home.

the Mississippi. An individual wishing to make the trip to California or Oregon had a choice of three routes. He could undertake the perilous overland trip, or suffer the long and dangerous voyage around Cape Horn, or opt for a trek across the Isthmus of Panama followed by a relatively short voyage to San Francisco.

Despite the claims of advertisements at the time, in the mid-19th century, one did not just stroll across the Isthmus. Travelers arriving in Panama were soon acquainted with the realities of poor food, yellow fever, and malaria as well as the threat of theft and murder. Nevertheless, multitudes of "forty-niners" descended upon the Isthmus of Panama in hopes of a shorter route to California's gold fields. At about the same time the United States Post Office was examining ways to transport the ever growing volume of mail to the West Coast. In response, Congress authorized contracts for the establishment of two lines of mail steamships — one from New York and New Orleans to Panama, and the other from the Pacific side of the Isthmus to California and Oregon. In addition, the ships carried passengers bound for the gold fields.

Before long, the inevitable occurred. The "leisurely" 50-mile hike through the jungles of Panama led to an enormous bottleneck of man and mail. Tropical diseases, thieves, and the lack of efficient transportation were to blame. The answer of course, at least for the latter two, was the construction of a trans-isthmian railroad. William H. Aspinwall (the man who had secured contracts for the steamship lines) and associates John L. Stephens and Henry Chauncey entered into a contract with the government of New Granada for the exclusive rights in constructing and administering a rail line across the Isthmus of Panama.

The contract gave Aspinwall's company rights of operation for a term of 49 years from the date of completion. This massive undertaking was begun under the guidance of engineers John C. Trautwine and Colonel George M. Totten. Each man boldly predicted that the railroad could be completed in six months at a cost of approximately $1 million.

Totten and Trautwine's bold claim was made without the benefit of knowledge of the area. Each was completely unaware of the characteristics of the tropics. They had not accounted for the seasonal rains that turned roads to mud or the devastating nature of malaria and yellow fever. While serving as Regimental Quartermaster of the 4th Infantry, a young Ulyss-

es S. Grant commented that "the horrors of the road in the rainy season are beyond description."

Disease and the rainy season coupled with crippling supply problems insured a never-ending logistical nightmare. The obstacles encountered in a country devoid of resources simply boggle the modern mind. Almost every type of supply including food had to be imported from thousands of miles away, and this prior to the advent of refrigeration in the age of sail-power.

Disease in particular took a heavy toll, with yellow fever and cholera the prime killers. In the end, an estimated 6,000 men perished in the effort to lay track across the Isthmus.

Despite Totten and Trautwine's lofty predictions, only seven miles of track had been laid after 20 months, a clear testament to the conditions encountered. Still, the men continued to work under Totten's energetic command. He simply would not be denied, and the railroad was finally completed five years after the start of construction. On January 27, 1855, Totten himself drove the last spike, finally opening what was to become the lifeline of later canal projects.

The editor of the *Aspinwall Courier* summed up the sentiments of many Americans when he wrote:

To the United States belongs the honor of this work. From its inception to its consummation, it is purely American. American genius conceived the plan; American science pronounced it practicable; American capital has furnished the sinews; and American energy has prosecuted the gigantic enterprise to its completion in spite of the most formidable difficulties.

The French Attempt

The completion of the Panama Railroad gave rise to a renewed interest in a trans-isthmian canal. Even before the start of construction many Americans were predicting that the railroad would eventually be found insufficient to meet the needs of commerce. They were right. But it was not the Americans who would make the first attempt at constructing a canal.

In 1879, the French under Ferdinand de Lesseps began to seriously consider the construction of a canal. After winning a concession from Colombia, de Lesseps turned his attention to raising money and gathering a canal workforce. Although not an engineer, he had overseen the successful construction of the Suez Canal in Egypt and was fortified by a sense of supreme confidence. Success was considered certain.

Excavation began in 1882, but progress was slow. Like the American railroad builders before them, the French were woefully ignorant of the nature of Panama's geology, climate, and diseases. Surveying was difficult and flooding was a constant threat. It was not uncommon for streams and rivers to rise 20 or more feet above their banks in as many hours. The thick jungle undergrowth made movement of heavy surveying equipment virtually impossible as well.

During the rainy season, yellow fever exacted an enormous toll, taking 1,230 lives in 1884. Faced with appalling mortality rates, canal workers deserted by

Spraying mosquito oil (left): Mosquito larvae live under water but must breathe at the surface. Spraying oil on the water prevents their reaching the surface, asphyxiating them. Under Gorgas, spraying with oil and poison greatly reduced mosquito-borne diseases like yellow fever and malaria.

Major William C. Gorgas (middle) led the American effort to eradicate disease and improve sanitation. Initially hampered by lack of funding, his perseverance led to success, paving the way for the canal.

Improved sanitation (right): Here, workers install better sewers in an effort to improve living conditions in the Canal Zone.

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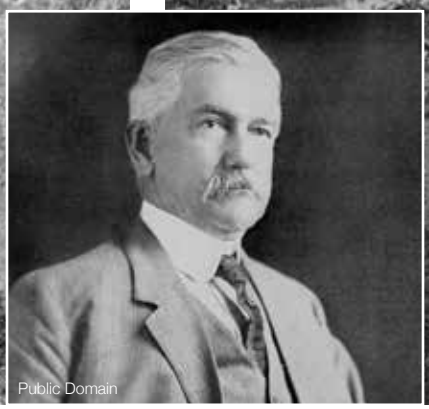
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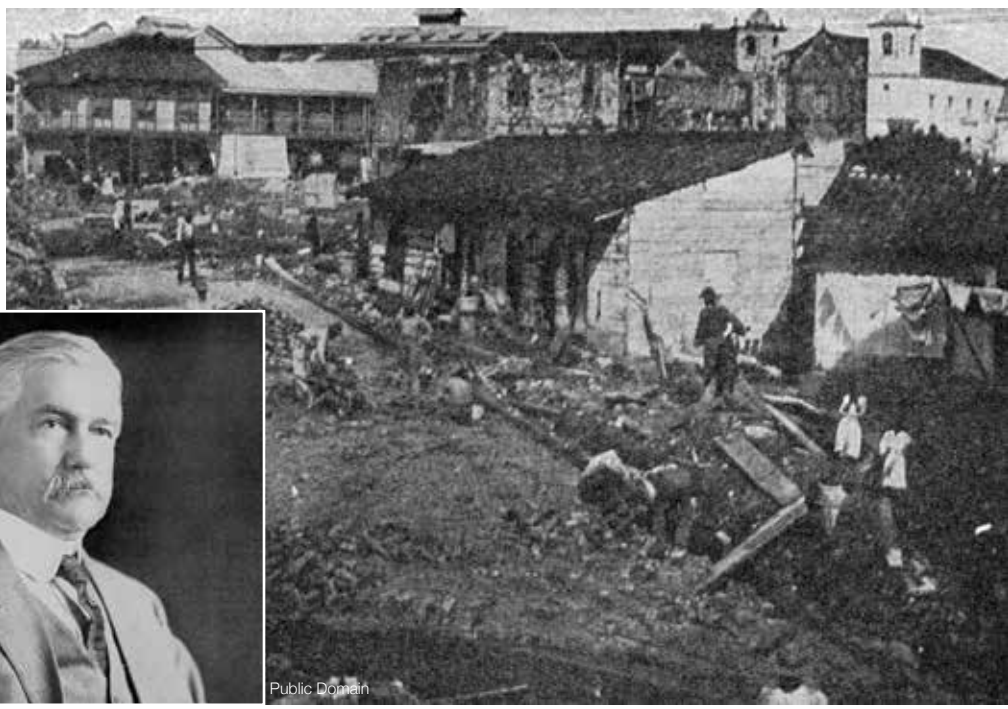
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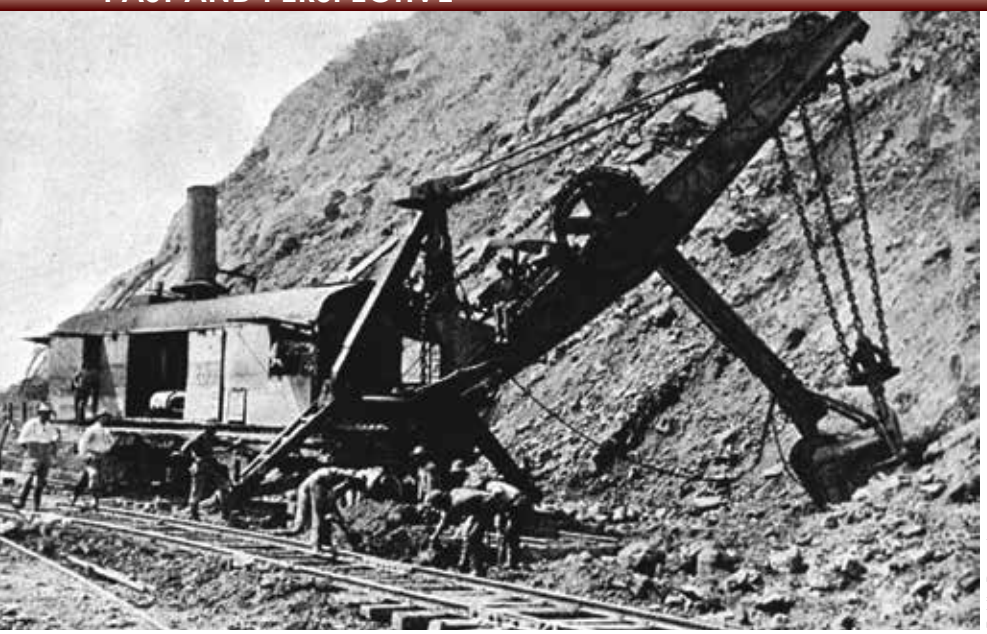

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John F. Stevens (above): Appointed in 1905, Stevens got the canal effort on track by emphasizing the importance of Major Gorgas' sanitation efforts, improving the railroad, and acquiring better equipment.

Steam shovels (left): Stevens knew the importance of technology and employed it at the canal, making great use of the steam shovel to facilitate excavation.

the hundreds and the search for labor became a bitter trial. The chief engineer, Jules Dingler, tried to inspire confidence among the workers by declaring on his arrival that he would "show the world only the drunk and dissipated will die here of yellow fever." Dingler's bravado was unwarranted. He would lose a son, daughter, son-in-law, and wife to yellow fever before succumbing himself.

But the primary threat to success was de Lesseps' overconfidence and his obstinate adherence to the idea of a sea-level canal. Despite a warning from the renowned French engineer Adolphe de Lépinay, de Lesseps clung to the idea of a sea-level canal with the tenacity of a tiger. But it was not to be. The geography of Panama would not permit it. The Chagres River and the Culebra Cut emerged as insurmountable obstacles for the French. Labor shortages, corrupt subcontractors, the failure to standardize equipment, and the ever-present pall of malaria and yellow fever finally finished de Lesseps. In 1888, the company went into bankruptcy. The hero of the Suez had failed.

America Takes Over

Most Americans were quietly relieved that the French had failed. Americans may have admired de Lesseps but the thought of a foreign presence in the Western Hemisphere was universally unacceptable.

The Spanish-American War heightened American interest in a canal. On March 19, 1898, the battleship *U.S.S. Oregon* made way from San Francisco en route to the Caribbean in anticipation of hostilities with Spain. Her 13,000-mile transit around the southern tip of South America consumed 60 days. By the time she reached Key West, the war was over. Nothing illustrated the military need for a canal more than this voyage. Navy officers imbued with Alfred Thayer Mahan's doctrine of a strong, blue-water navy immediately called for a canal under the protection of the United States. The addition of de facto colonies in Puerto Rico and the Philippines further highlighted the need for a canal.

Initial interest centered on a Nicaraguan canal, but a series of events starting in 1902 led to the independence of Panama and the signing of the Hay-Bunau-Varilla Treaty. The terms of the treaty ceded to the United States, in perpetuity, a section of central Panama 10 miles wide where the Canal would be built. It also conferred the right to acquire more land if needed and to use troops to protect United States interests in the area. Finally, the U.S. paid the new country $10 million and agreed to pay an annual fee of $250,000.

Construction began in early summer 1904. When American crews arrived on the scene they found a canal project approximately two-fifths completed. The ghosts of failure were everywhere. Colón [at the Caribbean entrance to the canal] was nothing more than a shantytown. Equipment rusted and rotted in the tropical heat and humidity, and more than 25,000 workers lay buried along the canal route, victims of dreaded tropical diseases. Still, the new arrivals were the beneficiaries of the knowledge gleaned from the failure of others.

French survey maps were readily available and generally regarded as very accurate. Despite the general deterioration of equipment a surprising amount had been sensibly mothballed. The railroad was also still intact, although it needed some repair and the addition of new track to make it effective. Disease remained a constant threat, but the medical community was beginning to make the connection between mosquitoes and the pathogens they carried.

Even armed with these advantages, virtually nothing was accomplished within the first 15 months. Like the French before them, the Army and Navy Canal Commission failed to adequately lay the groundwork for a successful operation. Its failure to eradicate disease and to set up a workable commissary and transportation system encouraged confusion and panic.

The problem lay in the makeup of the Army and Navy Commission. It was too cumbersome, and duties were never clearly defined. Furthermore, the chairman of the Commission, Admiral John G. Walker, was more concerned with saving money than

with building a canal. His inordinate thriftiness had particularly unfortunate repercussions in the struggle to improve sanitation and curb disease. As a result of this frugality, senior medical officer Major William C. Gorgas was unable to pursue sanitation efforts. This situation undoubtedly led to the yellow fever epidemic of late 1904.

The first case was reported on November 24th and by December a panic had set in among the workers. In retrospect, this panic was out of proportion to the seriousness of the situation as only 246 cases were reported that winter. Nevertheless, it was an avoidable situation made possible by the ignorance and bureaucracy inherent in the Commission.

The Army and Navy Commission's bungling did little to inspire the average worker. As late as 1905 the Commission had not decided on whether to build a sea-level or lock canal. Thousands of disillusioned workers left the Zone in disgust.

President Roosevelt finally asked the Army and Navy Commission to resign. It was clear that the Canal would never be dug under such an administration and he appointed the Second Isthmian Commission, with John F. Wallace as chief engineer.

Wallace, though, did not last long. His sudden resignation hardly inspired confidence in the canal workers. A new state of panic and despair set in as the rainy season approached. It seemed that the Canal would never be dug.

It took the perseverance of Major Gorgas and the direction of chief engineers John F. Stevens and Colonel George W. Goethals to realize the dream of a canal. Gorgas, in particular, never gave up his effort to eradicate the mosquito-borne diseases that had plagued the workers on the isthmus.

Stevens took over during the summer of 1905 and immediately set out to reorganize the whole operation. The seriousness of the public health issue became apparent to Stevens almost immediately. His comments at a subsequent government hearing tell of the fear that gripped the minds of canal workers upon his arrival: "employees were scared out of their boots, afraid of yellow fever, and afraid of everything."

Gorgas was delighted when Stevens made it known that improving public health was to be a priority. No longer did Gorgas have to fight the ignorance of the old Commission. Funds were made available, and he immediately set out to rid the Zone of malaria and yellow fever. Relying on the work of Cuban doctor Carlos Finlay, Gorgas waged an all-out war on the *Aedes Calopus* mosquito, carrier of yellow fever.

Yellow fever was the scourge of the Canal Zone and progress on the canal would remain slow as long as it remained a threat. Gorgas, now adequately funded, instituted a comprehensive program of eradication that included the use of fumigants and mosquito nets, and the elimination of uncovered standing water. The eradication of the disease-carrying mosquito seemed an impossible task in a region where one canal worker described "mosquitoes so thick that I have seen them put out a lighted candle with their burnt bodies." Gorgas' program was immediately successful despite the enormity of the problem. In 1907, no cases of yellow fever were reported. The majority of the offending insects were exterminated, and more importantly, the use of mosquito nets became commonplace. By 1913, mosquito-borne disease had been substantially curbed.

Stevens continued with a reorganization of the living quarters and commissary. The workforce had to be adequately housed and fed if the project was to enjoy any success. Under the supervision of Jackson Smith, the commissary and living quarters were improved to a level not previously seen. Housing and feeding 40,000 employees was no simple task. Smith supervised a first-class subsistence depot at Cristobal that included cold storage and an ice cream factory. Canal employees could expect to live in comfort rather than the squalor that had typified earlier efforts.

Stevens was also successful in obtaining adequate transport and equipment. He standardized the equipment; he knew that the railroad was the key to success and he set about adding and improving track. By doing so he was able to do what the French could not. Stevens knew that the French were unable to effectively remove dirt and rock from the Culebra Cut, and poorly located dumps contributed to frequent slides in that area. The solution was to deposit the waste well away from the excavation, and the railroad was the key. The work in and around the Cut required the removal of more than 232 million cubic yards of soil. Only the existence of an effective rail system could insure the success of such an endeavor. Stevens devised a simple but

Dredging: Construction of the man-made canyon at Culebra Cut required 24-hour dredging. Such work was hampered by frequent landslides. In all, 26 landslides deposited an additional 25 million cubic yards of earth and rock in the Cut.

Commercial and strategic importance: 13,000 commercial vessels carrying 190 million tons of cargo transit the canal each year. Not to be overlooked is the Canal's vital strategic importance. Admiral Thomas Moorer (Ret.) notes that the "Panama Canal has played a crucial role in World Wars I and II, the Korean War, Vietnam, Desert Storm...." At the peak of the Vietnam War in 1968, for example, 1,500 U.S. government ships passed through the Canal.

flexible system of track that allowed the American effort to succeed in an area that perplexed the French.

Stevens also worked to improve the project's other equipment. Unlike his predecessors, Stevens concentrated on acquiring improved equipment. This included the acquisition of steam shovels, devices, though now largely obsolete, which made possible the efficient removal of massive quantities of earth. This technology, relatively new at the time, was of immense importance to the eventual success of the canal effort. Indeed, in breaking the continental divide, the steam shovel was used in 90 percent of the dry excavation.

In many ways Stevens' last contribution to the canal effort was his most important. It involved the debate over whether to build a sea-level canal or high-level lock canal. After initial plans for a sea-level canal, Stevens was able to persuade the Commission to accept the idea of a Canal with locks. The Canal would be a high-level bridge of water connected by locks and sea approaches. De Lépinay would have approved, for the plan was essentially the same one the Frenchman had unsuccessfully championed in 1879. Finally, after 27 years of failure, success appeared imminent.

In 1907, Stevens unexpectedly resigned and was succeeded by Army engineer George W. Goethals. Stevens' resignation might have caused problems among the canal workers, but Goethals was wise enough to minimize change. This pleased the rank and file and work continued without a hitch. Goethals concentrated on excavation, sometimes moving more in one day than some of his predecessors had moved in a month.

Goethals divided the construction into three regions: the Atlantic Division, the Central Division, and the Pacific Division. The Central Division had the toughest job. It was there that they battled the Continental Divide at Culebra Cut. Engineers and construction teams dealt with four geological faults and five different types of rock in the Cut. The immensity of the job is difficult to imagine. It was a monumental task that required 24-hour dredging.

The Canal was finally opened in August 1914, less than two weeks after the outbreak of World War I in Europe. The massive undertaking had taken the American-led workforce ten years to complete at a cost of $387 million [more than $12 billion in 2024]. It was the largest and most expensive engineering project ever attempted by the United States government. Everything about the project was gigantic. The canal locks were the largest ever built, and at the time Gatún Dam was the largest earthen dam in the world.

The Panama Canal emerged from the tangled Panamanian jungle as proof of America's ascendancy. The engineering, logistical, and health problems that had plagued the early canal builders failed to stymie the American effort. The realization of a 400-year-old dream signaled the beginning of a new era — an era of unsurpassed progress with the United States at the helm. ■

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Abolish the ATF

The Second Amendment is not ambiguous. Its language is clear and concise: "A well regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed."

Every word of that sentence was carefully chosen by men who had just fought a bloody revolution to throw off the yoke of tyranny. They understood, from bitter experience, that a government unrestrained in its power over the people's arms would soon become a government unrestrained in all other areas of life.

The right to keep and bear arms is not a privilege granted by the government — it is an inherent right, one that predates the Constitution itself. The Second Amendment does not create this right; it simply prohibits the federal government from infringing upon it. As James Madison explained in *The Federalist*, No. 46, the ultimate check on federal overreach is an armed citizenry. Thus, any federal agency that seeks to regulate firearms is acting in open defiance of the Constitution.

The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) is an executive agency with a long history of violating not only the Constitution of the United States, but the sacred protection of our right to keep and bear arms enshrined in the Second Amendment. Its very existence is an affront to liberty and an unconstitutional expansion of executive power. What's worse, it perpetuates a bureaucratic regime that is unaccountable to the people and serves as a standing threat to our natural right of self-defense.

The ATF has a troubling history of abuse, overreach, and deadly misconduct. From the infamous 1993 raid at Waco, Texas, to the disastrous "Fast and Furious" operation, the agency has consistently trampled on the rights of Americans with little to no accountability. It acts as a law unto itself, regulating, restricting, and punishing gun owners without any constitutional basis for its actions.

As an agency of the executive branch, the ATF is a tool of federal power that operates far outside the narrow limits placed on government by the Constitution.

Thankfully, the Constitution provides a solution. As head of the executive branch, President Donald Trump is not only constitutionally authorized, but obligated, to abolish the ATF and bring federal power back within its constitutionally prescribed boundaries.

Article I, Section 1 of the Constitution vests all legislative powers in Congress, meaning that no executive agency has the authority to create rules or regulations that carry the force of law. Yet, the ATF routinely issues regulations that criminalize lawful behavior, effectively bypassing Congress and the Constitution altogether.

Under Article II, Section 1 of the Constitution, the president is vested with the "executive power" of the United States. He is tasked with ensuring that the laws be "faithfully executed." This includes upholding the supreme law of the land: the Constitution. When an executive agency, such as the ATF, exists in open defiance of the Constitution, the president is not only authorized but duty-bound to take corrective action.

President Trump, as head of the executive branch, has the constitutional authority to dismantle the ATF. This power is not speculative or theoretical — it is grounded in the very nature of the executive power. Executive agencies exist at the discretion of the president, and he has the power to reorganize, reduce, or eliminate them if they exceed their constitutional mandate. The ATF's unconstitutional mission to infringe on the Second Amendment is more than sufficient justification for its abolition.

In fact, by abolishing the ATF, President Trump would be fulfilling his oath of office. Every president swears to "preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution of the United States." This oath is not a mere formality — it is a solemn promise to the American people. Defending the Constitution requires action, not just rhetoric. The ATF's continued existence represents a dereliction of that duty and dismantling it would send a powerful message that the Constitution is not negotiable.

The abolition of the ATF would not be a radical act; it would be a restoration of constitutional order. For too long, Americans have accepted the existence of unconstitutional agencies as an unavoidable part of modern government. But there is nothing inevitable about federal overreach. The Founding Fathers gave us the tools to defend our liberty and rein in the federal government. We need only the courage to use them.

President Trump has shown a willingness to challenge the entrenched bureaucracy of the federal government. Abolishing the ATF would be a bold but necessary step in that direction. It would not only protect the Second Amendment, but also set an important precedent: that unconstitutional agencies have no place in a government of limited, enumerated powers.

The American people deserve a government that respects their rights and abides by the Constitution. The ATF does neither. It's time for President Trump to do what the Constitution allows him to do — and what the Second Amendment demands he must do. It's time to abolish the ATF.

In the words of Thomas Jefferson, "A free people claim their rights as derived from the laws of nature, and not as the gift of their chief magistrate." The right to keep and bear arms is one of those rights. It's time to reclaim it. ■

THE LAST WORD

Take Back Our Canal!

by Peter Rykowski

AP Images

On December 21, 2024, Donald Trump became the first prominent American politician in more than two decades to even mention an important national-security issue: reclaiming the Panama Canal. In a Truth Social post, he noted that the canal "is considered a VITAL National Asset for the United States." Lamenting how "President Jimmy Carter foolishly gave it away," Trump asserted that Panama was treating the United States unfairly and favoring Communist China. He then declared that if this situation does not change, "then we will demand that the Panama Canal be returned to us, in full, and without question."

Trump's comments were not a one-off. In his inauguration address nearly one month later, the president vowed, "We're taking [the Panama Canal] back." And his secretary of state, Marco Rubio, made his first overseas trip to Panama to negotiate the canal's status. Although Panama has announced it will end its participation in China's Belt and Road Initiative (BRI), an agreement on returning the canal has yet to be reached.

Trump's comments mirror those of The John Birch Society, the parent organization of *The New American* and a leading force opposing the U.S. surrender of the Panama Canal. For example, the late Admiral Thomas H. Moorer, who served as chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and later joined the JBS, wrote in the August 2, 1999 issue of *The New American*:

> If we allow this suicidal course to continue, we will be transferring *our* strategic canal not to Panama, but to whichever power moves in to fill the vacuum. And there is no longer any cause to wonder which power that will be. Over the past several years, the People's Republic of China has made unmistakably clear its designs upon the Panama Canal. In fact, it has already moved in and begun to take control of this critically important asset. [Emphasis in original.]

Moorer's prediction has come to pass. In addition to Panama's BRI membership, the Panamanian government has allowed Chinese subsidiary Hutchison Ports to operate ports on both sides of the canal. As a Chinese company, it is legally obligated to obey Chinese government edicts, including a potential order to shut down U.S. access to the canal. Additionally, two Chinese state-owned companies are building a bridge across the canal. This project is expected to take up to a decade, and gives China a potential excuse to shut down the canal to American shipping. Since more than 40 percent of American container traffic uses the Panama Canal, a shutdown would be economically detrimental.

It is encouraging to see American leaders finally recognize the JBS's longtime warnings about surrendering the Panama Canal. They should not stop there, however, but rather should pursue full restoration of U.S. control over the canal.

Taking back the Panama Canal is warranted not only for national security reasons, but also because the 1977 Carter-Torrijos Treaties, signed by President Jimmy Carter and Panamanian dictator Omar Torrijos, are illegal. As Admiral Moorer explained, "The Panama Canal treaties ratified by the U.S. Senate are radically different from, and completely contrary to, the treaties agreed to by Torrijos. This makes them null and void, since both parties did not agree to the same document."

Since the treaties are illegal, the United States is legally justified in retaking control of the Panama Canal. Congress and the president need to know this important fact.

Please contact your U.S. representative and senators, and urge them to support reasserting U.S. control over the canal. Resources including expert testimony on the illegality of the Panama Canal treaties, a legislative alert that allows you to contact Congress, and a model resolution are available at https://jbs.org/canal/.

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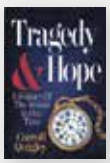

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